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DECISIVE BATTLE

Japanese Now Staging Great Counter-Offensive

REVERBERATIONS SHAKE THE SETTLEMENT

BOTH SIDES DIGGING IN AT WOOSUNG

Shanghai, To-day.

Large-scale troop movements are being carried out by both Chinese and Japanese north of Shanghai, following Saturday's brilliant shock attack by the Chinese and the near future will witness operations of a decisive character.

It is reliably reported that the Chinese have been successful in further engagements at Lotien and Woosung and to have inflicted considerable losses on the enemy.

The huge fleet of Japanese transports lying off Woosung still have troops on board, as the nature of the Chinese resistance at Woosung has made it impossible for them to be landed.—Trans-Ocean.

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BOMBARDMENT NEAR HONG KONG

BY JAPANESE DESTROYER SIGHTED FROM CASTLE PEAK

Declaration of the blockade of Canton by the Japanese Navy has been followed by startling developments. All Chinese shipping in the river is being stopped and the coast just north of the Colony's border has been repeatedly shelled.

A Japanese destroyer passed through H.K. waters to begin the bombardment.

A Japanese destroyer was last evening observed by bathers at Castle Peak proceeding towards the Pearl River.

It is supposed that the Japanese warship's appearance is connected with the sudden decision of the Japanese Navy Office to extend the blockade of the China coast north to Chinwangtao and south to Pak-wei.

Officially, Hong Kong and Macao are not blockaded.

CHEKWAN BOMBARDED
The "China Mail" learns authoritatively that the destroyer was well within the waters of the Colony.

After passing through, it is reported to have proceeded to Chekwai and bombarded the small township. Official confirmation is

not yet available. The shelling took place between 7.30 a.m. and 8 a.m. this morning.

ATTACK RAILWAY
Chekwai is in Taishan Bay about twelve miles north of Hong Kong on the Pearl River, on the Castle Peak side.

It is the site of a famous temple to which many pilgrimages are made from Hong Kong every year.

The belief is that an attempt is being made to shell the Canton-Kowloon Railway (Chinese Section), although the range is considered too great for a destroyer.

It is understood that the warship is the Hayata.

There is no garrison at Chekwai, but it is understood that there is a fairly strong force of the Pacantui

CHINESE REPLY TO CONSULAR POOTUNG PLAN

Nanking, To-day.

The Central Government is willing to consider the request of the Consuls-General for joint withdrawal of the Chinese troops in Pootung and the Japanese warships, if the British, French and United States consulates undertake to guarantee that the Japanese warships will move as proposed and will not bombard during the withdrawal of Chinese troops, and will not take advantage of the Chinese withdrawal to land Japanese reinforcements at Pootung.

The international request was that the Chinese should withdraw their troops in Pootung opposite the Bund, French Bund and Chinese Bund to a line about a mile inland.

The Japanese should move their warships to a line about a mile down the river from Soochow Creek.—Reuter.

R.W.F. MAN DIES AFTER ACCIDENT

Shanghai, To-day.
The death occurred yesterday of George Evans, 34, a private of the Royal Welch Fusiliers, who was accidentally shot with a revolver yesterday.
Evans was not a war casualty.
—Reuter.

INCIDENT ON KOREAN BORDER

Tokyo, To-day.

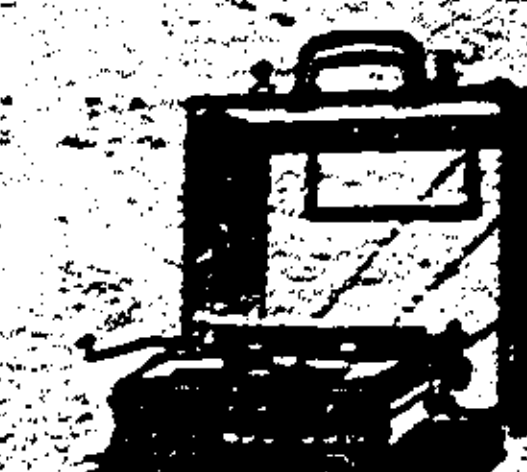
A grave incident has occurred on the river forming the border between Korea and the Soviet, in north-west Korea, according to a report emanating from Japanese sources.

It stated that a Soviet gunboat seized a Korean fishing boat and a Japanese Government craft which came to the assistance of the fishermen.

Both vessels were taken to the Soviet station on the far side of the river.—Reuter.



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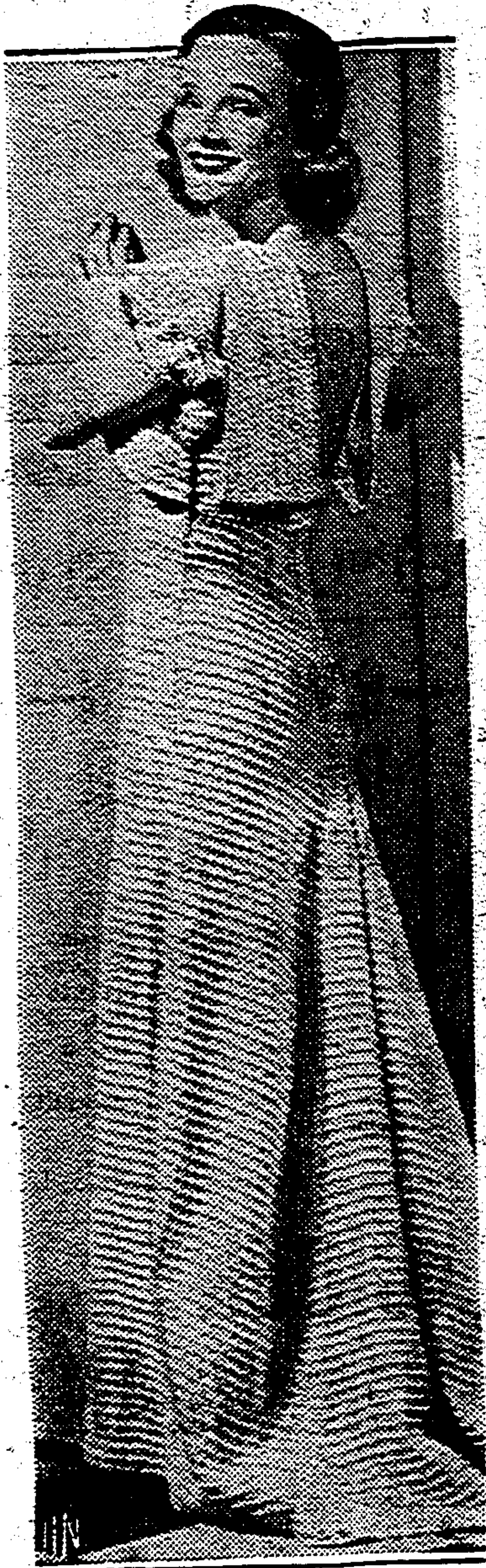
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White paper taffeta checked with a gold thread and enhanced by horizontal chenille bands is worn by Elizabeth Russell as a stunning formal gown. The youthful bolero effect and the flattering puffy sleeves are especially becoming to the young screen actress.

London has changed its gender. It is now feminine. Formerly it was regarded as strictly masculine, being regarded as the city which appealed more exclusively to men. Whereas Paris was supposed to lure women within its gates. But all that has been changed. For London is now the Mecca of the well-dressed woman the world over.

During the recent Coronation celebrations, when London was thronged with visitors from all parts of the globe, (including many of the smartest women from various capitals) the general opinion was that London, always the hub of the Universe, was now, also, the fashion centre.

And the reason? Because British fabrics made in British mills, have reached such perfection of design and finish that they have been chosen to create the newest and most exclusive models of leading dress designers in their London

ed for day wear. Black is coming back. That is fashion news of importance, especially as regards afternoon wear. But it is being combined with rather vivid reds and greens (especially in embroidered effects) and not so much with the former favourite—white.

For evening gowns, either rather rich colours or the pastel tones will be worn. At one of the very early displays of new models by a noted designer, it was noticed that some of the smartest gowns were almost colourless. I noticed one gown composed of a silver-ice shade—one may so describe it, for it was so indefinite—yet the effect of the and similar "colourless" shades was modern and sophisticated to the nth degree.

Long And Short Of It

Still the battle of the skirts is being waged. Some of the stylists favour the very short dress for tailored suits and sports wear, others declare for the medium skirt length.

It seems that the present trend toward short skirts has reached its peak, and with cooler days skirts will be longer. But the individual will be able to make her own choice—short or long. For evening wear, at the first "showings" gowns were worn just above the toe, but not showing the ankle. The trailing gown is finished.

Buttons are important on latest models, metal and wood being used—bright silver mostly—and belts, mostly self-fabric belts with small buckles, nothing exotic.

BY A WOMAN CORRESPONDENT

salons, whither buyers in search of the latest modistic styles come several times a year, from all parts of the world.

What a triumph for British stylists and British made fabrics! But it is only a repetition of what buyers said when they visited the textiles section of the last British Industries Fair, held at the White City, London, where their enthusiasm was reflected in the size of their orders.

One fabric which attracted a great deal of attention at the Fair, and which has become an established "best seller" can now be obtained in men's and women's suitings combined with wool. It can also be successfully combined with mohair and also with linen.

This fabric is ideal for either autumn or spring-weight, and is also an excellent medium for tropical suitings and costumes, for it is extraordinarily soft and light (not quite so heavy as all wool) and is almost as crease-resisting as wool. Its wearing qualities have been found to be most satisfactory.

For linen dresses or costumes, this new fabric combination produces a different effect (a looser weave) than all-linen, and is more crease-resisting. Indeed, there is no textile use for which it cannot be employed with equal success.

The New Shades

All shades of amethyst—light to dark—and plum are favoured for light wool plain-surface materials for dresses and costumes. This is good news for the woman whose inches are a trouble, for tones of plum and amethyst (in the darker shades) are definitely slimming in effect.

Another new shade is called Albany brown (somewhat like the London tan of last season), also very dark brown, and a warm red brown, all of which will be employed

for day wear. Black is coming back. That is fashion news of importance, especially as regards afternoon wear. But it is being combined with rather vivid reds and greens (especially in embroidered effects) and not so much with the former favourite—white.

Modest flower colours are here again, too, the violet range, lovely petal pinks, delphinium blues, and rich goldenrod yellows brighten up the prints that are scattered over white or dark backgrounds.

Emergency Pudding

Slice one or more bananas, sprinkle with castor sugar and lemon juice, and leave while the batter mixture is made. Put a dessertspoonful of butter in a warm place to melt. Sift five ounces of self-raising flour into a bowl with a quarter of a teaspoonful of salt and a dessertspoonful of sugar. Beat an egg with a tablespoonful of milk and add the melted butter. Beat this with the flour, adding extra milk to make a stiff batter. Stir in the banana. Drop spoonfuls into a pan of boiling fat (the banana should be coated with the batter) and cook until golden brown. Drain thoroughly, sift castor sugar over, and serve at once. Raisins, currants, or sultanas which have had boiling water poured over them and stood for ten minutes, then drained, can be used instead of banana.

Vegetables Colour Frocks

Onion white, mustard yellow, lettuce green, pepper red, and other new colours seem to come from grandma's own garden in the country. But they are equally smart in the city when combined with black, navy or the new "real" browns.

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SURREALIST BOUQUET WALL PAPER

The Surrealist wall paper has arrived, and is the latest contribution to novel decoration in the home.

"Surrealist bouquet" is the official title of the design by Lin Tissot for a New York firm. The design is done in shades of dove grey, misty blue, beige or dusty rose.

At first sight this gives the impression of being an ordinary bouquet, but the posy is very far from being an ordinary one.

Closer inspection reveals that it is composed of such oddly assorted objects as tea-cups, thimbles, ice-cream cones and a trio of violins arching over a friendly piano keyboard. As if to emphasise the timeliness of this highly original wall paper design an alarm clock forms the heart of the large daisy in the centre.

Coconut Cuts

Sift half a pound of self-raising flour into a bowl with a pinch of salt. Rub in four ounces of butter, then add four ounces of caster sugar and two ounces of desiccated coconut. Beat an egg with a dessertspoonful of milk and add six drops of vanilla essence. Mix with the dry ingredients to make a stiff paste, adding a little more milk if necessary. Roll out fairly thinly and cut into fingers. Roughen the tops with a fork. If plenty of coconut is liked, brush the tops with milk or beaten egg and scatter more coconut on top. Put on a baking tin and cook in a moderate oven for 25 to 30 minutes. Do not have the oven too hot, as they should not get very brown. Store in an airtight tin.

Fainted Six Times In One Day.

Anyone who has experienced the sensation of fainting will feel pity for a girl who was so weak that she fainted many times a day. Such was the unfortunate plight of Miss Harriet King, of 20 Victoria Street, Eccles, England, whose father tells how she recovered health and strength with Dr. Williams' Pink Pills.

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To-day's Wireless

Records For The Children

12.30-2.15 p.m.—European Programme.
12.30 p.m.—Songs by Stuart Robertson (Baritone).
Myself When Young ('In A Persian Garden'—Lehmann).
The Road To The Isles; Wrap Me Up In My Old Tarpsutur Jacket. (Traditional).
Down Among The Dead Men (Traditional); Funiculi, Funicula (Danza).
1.40 p.m.—Band of H. M. Coldstream Guards.
Colonel Bogey—March (Alford).
Youth And Vigour (Lantenschlager).
'Les Cloches De Corneville'—Selection (Plangnette).
The Bells Of St. Mala (Rimmer).
Semper Fidelis March (Sousa).
1.00 p.m.—Local Time signal and Weather report.
1.03 p.m.—Three songs by Tino Rossi (Tenor).
1.13 p.m.—Orchestre Raymond.
Dance Of The Merry Mascots (Ketelbey).
Orient Express (Mohr).
Taming The Tiger (La Rocca).
Electric Girl (Helmuth-Holmes).
A Night On The Waves (Finnish Waltz) (Koskiman).

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Manhattan Serenade (Alter).
Manhattan Moonlight (Alter).
1.30 p.m.—Reuter Press; Rugby Press; Local: Weather forecast and Announcements.
1.40 p.m.—Variety.
2.15 p.m.—Close Down.
5-8 p.m.—European Programme.
8-11 p.m.—Chinese Programme.
5.00 p.m.—Relay of the Dance Orchestra from the Roof—Garden of the Hong Kong Hotel.
1. A Rhythm Excursion.
2. Where the lazy River goes by.
3. There's something in the air.
4. The way you look to-night.
5.15 p.m.—Interval of recorded dance music from ZBW.
5.20 p.m.—5. A Fine Romance.
6. Mabuhay.
7. Where is my heart.
8. Farewell Blues.
5.35 p.m.—Interval of recorded dance music from ZBW.
5.40 p.m.—9. The Modern Chords.
10. Black Eyed Susan Brown.
11. In the Dungeon.
12. Goodnight my love.
5.55 p.m.—Interval of recorded dance

music from ZBW.
6.00 p.m.—13. The words are in my heart.
14. The sweetheart waltz.
15. Don't let this waltz mean good-bye.
6.15 p.m.—Interval of recorded dance music from ZBW.
6.20 p.m.—16. Crooner's Lullaby.
17. Crazy Feet.
18. Blue Skies.
19. Top of the town.
6.30 p.m.—Children's Records.
How Doth The Little Crocodile; Fury Said To A Mouse.
'Tis The Voice Of The Lobster; They Told Me You Had Been To Her ('Alice in Wonderland'—H. Fraser-Simpson).
George Baker (Baritone).
'Now We Are Six'.
Intro: The Engineer, Wind In The Hill.
'When We Were Very Young' (Poems by A. A. Milne).
Mimi Crawford (Soprano).
Nursery Rhymes (Walford Davies).
Intro: Matthew, Mark, Luke and John; Bless you, Bonnie Bee.
Masters E. Lough and R. Mallett. Messrs. Capel Dixon and Frank Hastwell (Quartet).
6.45 p.m.—Beethoven 'Kreutzer' Sonata In A Major, Op. 47.
Played by Albert Sammons (Violin) and William Murdoch (Piano).
7.25 p.m.—Variety.
Piano Solos—
Bubbling Over.
Moonbeams Dance.
Carroll Gibbons.
Vocal—
My Piano And Me.
Intro: One Alone (Desert Song).
To a Wild Rose: One Fine Day (Madame Butterfly).
Turner Layton (Bass).
Organ Solos—
I Hate Myself (Davie, Young and Ager).
Love In Bloom (Film 'She Loves Me Not').

Sidney Torch.
Fox-Trot Medley—
Favourite Favourite No. 2.
Intro: Stumbling; Sleepy Time Girl; When the leaves comes tumbling down.
Me and the Boy Friend; I'm sitting on top of the world; That's my weakness now.
The Ballyhooligans.
8.00 p.m.—Local: Time signal, Weather report and Announcements.
8-11 p.m.—Chinese Programme.
11.00 p.m.—Close Down.
8.03-11.00 p.m.—European Programme from ZEK on a frequency of 640 kilocycles.
8.03 p.m.—Chopin.
Nocturne in E Flat Major.
The Angelus Octet.
Polonaise in E Flat.
Jose Echamiz (Piano).
11.00 p.m.—Close Down.
Waltz in C Sharp Minor.
Bronislaw Huberman (Violin).
Studies, Op. 25: No. 7 in C Sharp Minor; No. 9 in G flat major; No. 10 in B minor.
Wilhelm Backhaus (Piano).
8.24 p.m.—Orchestral.
Der Freischutz.
Overture (Weber).
London Philharmonic Orchestra conducted by Sir Thomas Beecham.
Capriccio Espagnol—
Op. 34 (Rimsky-Korsakov).
The Golden Cockerell (Rimsky-Korsakov).
The Lamoureux Orchestra of Paris conducted by Albert Wolff.
8.50 p.m.—Three songs by Gigli (Tenor).
9.00 p.m.—Weber Concertstück In E Minor—Robert Casadesus (Piano) and the Orchestre Symphonique conducted by Eugene Bigot.
9.16 p.m.—Songs by Dennis Noble (Baritone).
9.30 p.m.—London Relay—The News and Announcements.
9.55 p.m.—Variety.

BRIDGE NOTES

By ELY CULBERTSON

Short Suit Leads

In leading a doubleton [a two card suit], the higher card always is led. In leading from a three card suit, lead the highest if the suit is not headed by any honour [9 7 6, 8 5 3, 4 3 2, etc.]. If the suit is headed by a single honour, or by two honours not in sequence, lead the lowest card.

There are two exceptions: From a three card suit headed by the ace, the ace is led. From 10 x x, the ten is led against no trump contracts, although the lowest is the proper lead against suit contracts.

Leads From Long Suits

At suit contracts, lead your fourth highest card from a long suit, except from a suit headed by the ace, king, queen, or a leadable sequence. A leadable sequence is: [a] three cards in sequence, at least one of which is an honour [K Q J, Q J 10, J 10 9, 10 9 8]; [b] three cards forming an intermediate sequence [K J 10, K 10 9, Q 10 9]; [c] three cards forming an incomplete sequence, the two high cards being equals and the third one step removed [K Q 10, Q J 9, J 10 8, 10 9 7].

At no trump contracts, lead an honour only when the suit is headed by a leadable sequence, as above. Otherwise, lead your fourth highest even though the suit be headed by ace or king-queen. From A K 7 5 3 or K Q 7 4 3, lead the king at suit contracts, but the five at no trump; from A 10 8 6 4 3, lead the ace at suit contracts, but the six at no trump.

The Delayed Finesse

It must not be imagined that all finesses are simple cut-and-dried manoeuvres to take advantage of a hoped-for position of honours. Some card combinations require preliminary skirmishing. Consider the declarer's problem in to-day's hand.

South, dealer.

Both sides vulnerable.

NORTH

S.—K 9 7 3

H.—10 8 6 4 2

D.—9 7 5

C.—Q

WEST

S.—8 2

H.—A J 5

D.—Q J 10 3

EAST

S.—6

H.—Q 3

D.—A K 6 4 2

C.—J 9 6 2 C.—K 10 7 5 3

SOUTH

S.—A Q J 10 5 4

H.—K 9 7

D.—8

C.—A 8 4

The bidding:

South West North East

1 spade Pass 2 spades Pass

4 spades Pass Pass Pass

West opened the queen of diamonds and continued with the jack, declarer ruffing the second. Two sounds of trumps ending in dummy cleaned up the adverse spades, and a low heart was led toward the closed hand.

Obviously, declarer's only problem was to avoid losing three heart tricks. When East played low, declarer did not commit the error of risking everything, at this stage, on the fortunate position of the heart ace. If this card were held by East, there was no hurry in bringing home the king. The immediate danger was that the king, if played, would be smothered by the ace in West's hand. Declarer, therefore, played the nine spot. West won with the jack and shifted to a club. Declarer won and ruffed a club in dummy, then led the ten of hearts through East. The queen showing up, it was all over. Declarer now played the king on the assurance that, when it lost to the ace, dummy's eight would be promoted to a third round trick.

It should be noted that in only one case, namely, the queen and jack blank in West's hand, could declarer's method of play lose. In that case a heart to the nine would lose to the jack and a second heart lead of the ten from dummy, properly ducked by East, would, if also ducked by declarer, lose to West's now blank queen. But even with this position of cards, declarer might make the winning guess at the second lead from dummy, and put up his king. Against all other lays of cards there would be no point in the immediate rather than in the deferred play of the heart king.

TO-DAY'S QUESTION

Question: What is the correct opening bid on S A K Q 7 H 9 6 4 D 10 5 C A Q 8 6?

Answer: One club.

What's On At the Cinemas

AT THE STAR—"Dodsworth", with Paul Lukas, Mary Astor, Ruth Chatterton and David Niven. The absorbing and dramatic story of a hard working, easy-going American husband who retired to travel and find himself but instead found out his selfish and frivolous wife.

AT THE ORIENTAL—"Espionage".—Two star reporters, Madge Evans and Edmund Lowe, are assigned by American newspapers to trace a millionaire munitions maker who had vanished. These two belonging to opposition newspapers set out for Paris and encounter adventures which throw their paths together, facing danger a dozen times before they eventually get their story. With Paul Lukas, Ketti Gallian, Skeets Gallagher and others.

AT THE MAJESTIC—"Pennies From Heaven".—The quaint story of a strolling musician who is dubbed a "no-er-do-well" played by Bing Crosby, and Madge Evans as the girl of his dreams. Edith Fellows contributes largely to the interest of the story and the China Coast, in which the cast give Crosby, as usual, sings appealingly.

AT THE CENTRAL—"Cockeyed Cavaliers", with Bert Wheeler and Robert Woolsey. A merrie tale of olden days with gay music, comedy queens and beautiful maidens.

AT THE KING'S—"Parnell", with Clark Gable and Myrna Loy. The account of a courageous man who surrenders fame and fortune and power for the woman he loves. Primarily a narrative of Ireland, it is let international in scope.

AT THE QUEEN'S—"Exclusive", with Fred MacMurray, Frances Farmer and Charlie Ruggles. With the battle between two rival newspapers as its background, the story concerns the sacrifice a father is forced to make when he must choose between the strict adherence of the newspaper code or the betrayal of his own daughter.

AT THE ALHAMBRA—"China Seas", with Clark Gable, Jean Harlow and Wallace Berry. A story of piracy on the China Coast, in which the cast give outstanding performances.



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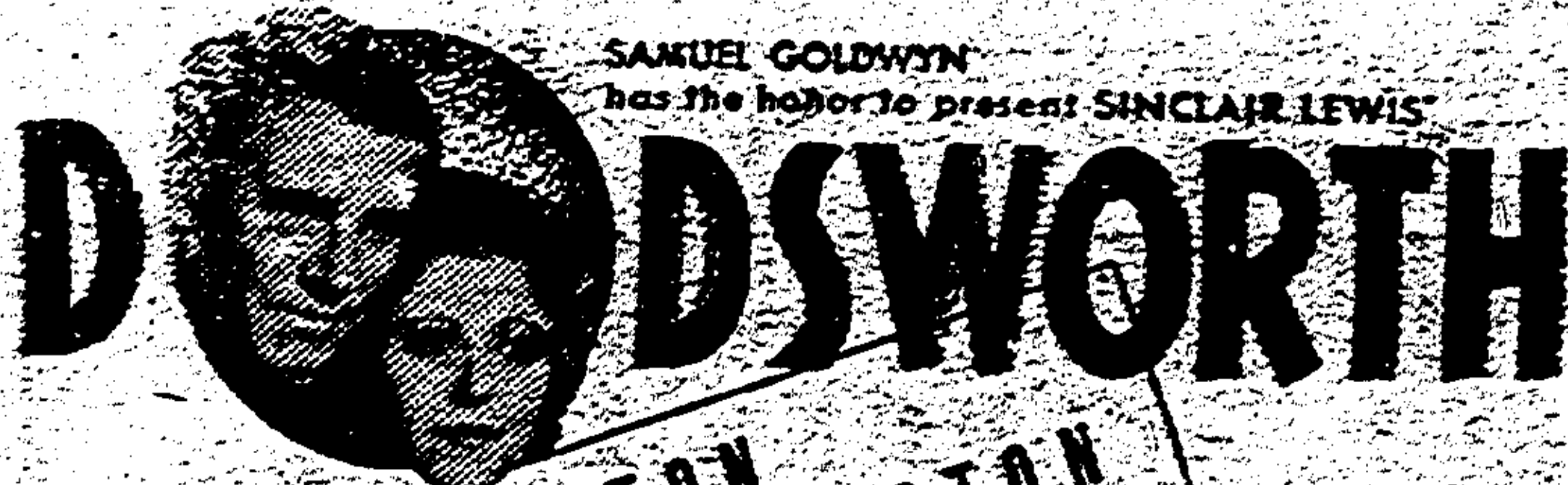
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DRIFT TO
TOWNS

LONDON, SATURDAY.

IN THE GEOGRAPHY SECTION OF THE BRITISH ASSOCIATION MEETING AT NOTTINGHAM, PROFESSOR FAWCETT OF LONDON DISCUSSED THE CHANGING DISTRIBUTION OF POPULATION.

World average density he said, was 40 persons per square mile, and this density was exceeded only in Europe, Eastern and North America, the Far East and India with Ceylon.

In these four regions, three-fourths of the world's present estimated population of 2,000,000,000 was to be found on little more than one-eighth of the total land area.

During the twentieth century the area of inhabited lands on the margins of all four major populous regions had been increasing, and in North America this movement had perhaps overshot the climatic limits of good cultivable lands.

INDIA EXPANSION

India had made real expansion on newly-irrigated lands in India's valley.

Thirty millions and more of Chinese had pushed into Manchukuo and Inner Mongolia in the greatest of recent migrations.

There had also been an eastward colonisation of Western Siberia from Russia extending almost to Lake Baikal, which amounted possibly to 2,000,000.

The net effect of the great migrations of the 19th and 20th centuries had not tended to spread the population more evenly over the earth or to fill up the great open spaces but only to accentuate the crowding of mankind into already populous lands.

Prof. Fawcett dealt very fully with the marked and growing concentration of populations in urban areas and great cities of the world.

DRIFT TO TOWNS

This drift to towns, he said, was universal in countries affected by modern Western civilisation.

Between 1921 and 1931 the proportional increase in the London area was more than double the rate of increase for Great Britain.

The number of these "million cities" and of their inhabitants was increasing so that in two or three generations, if the tendency was not checked, the majority of mankind might be found living in from 200 to 300 such concentrations.—British Wireless.

NATIONALISATION
OF ARMAMENTS

Paris, Saturday.

The date on which the French armament works of Schneider-Creusot, nationalised by the decree of March 11, will be taken over by the State, has been fixed for September 27.

The expropriated owners will found a new company to be named Atelier de Construction du Creusot on the same day.—Trans-Ocean.

Something New



Spun glass, finer than the finest silk, is the latest for women's negligees. Miss Priscilla Kelly is displaying a soft fluff creation at Boston's ready-to-wear show where progress in dressmaking field is displayed annually.

Party Fusion
Hitch

Paris, Saturday.

The desire of the French Communist Party to hasten the projected fusion with the Socialists is evidenced by a letter addressed by the Secretary of the Communist Party to the Socialist executive, expressing the wish that fusion should be completed as soon as possible and proposing that the Committee of Union should be convened for Tuesday.

Socialist circles, however, declare there is no need for hurry, since the Third International has so far furnished no adequate guarantee that in the event of formation of a United Labour Party, the Socialist Party would retain its individuality.—Trans-Ocean.

M. MASARYK NOW
IMPROVING

Prague, Saturday.

The condition of M. Thomas Masaryk, the 88-year-old former President of Czecho-Slovakia, has undergone a slight improvement, says a bulletin, and there is some hope for the patient making a good recovery.

M. Masaryk was suddenly taken ill a few days ago at his country seat.

The whole of Czecho-Slovakia is following his progress with the greatest concern and sympathy, and in all churches prayers are being said for his safe recovery.

President Edvard Benes was among those present at the bedside yesterday.—Trans-Ocean.

SEA DRAMA OFF BISCAY COAST: WE "WILL SINK YOU" THREAT

The full story of the capture of the French cargo boat Tregastel was told when the steamer reached Bordeaux again after having been detained for a week at Bilbao.

The Tregastel left Bordeaux on July 2 with a cargo of provisions, intended partly for consumption of refugees it was hoped to evacuate from Santander.

At Le Verdon (at the mouth of the Gironde) she took on board an observer of the Non-Intervention Committee, M. Simon.

"Early on the morning of July 4," said M. Simon, "The Almirante Cervera sighted us. She signalled 'stop, where are you going?'"

"We replied: 'Santander.'"

"The Cruiser went on her way.

"Half an hour later, the British torpedo boat H.65 came steaming up and called to us through a megaphone.

"What is the name of the observation office on board? What did the Almirante Cervera ask you?"

Germany Prepares For Duce's Visit

Berlin, Saturday.

Signor Mussolini's visit to Germany commands streamer headlines and lengthy editorials in the entire German press, many editors marking the occasion with comments on Italo-German friendship and co-operation.

Writing in the official Nazi Party organ "Voelkischer Beobachter," a commentator on foreign affairs declares that Germany welcomes in Signor Mussolini the creator of Fascism under whose undeviating foreign policy and farsighted leadership Italy has developed into the strongest Mediterranean Power.

Stating that the entire scope of relations between Germany and Italy is not comprised of the so-called "axis" policy, the writer declares that the two nations have similar ideals and national character, and in the Duce's visit these will acquire new expression.

NEW EPOCH

Writing in similar vein, the "Frankfurter Zeitung" states that Italo-German relations aim to be more than a mere constellation of Powers but are a sign that a new epoch in the history of European politics is developing.

"In indicating a willingness to forget the bitterness of the past and to concentrate on creating new national sentiments, Italy and Germany will liberate Europe from the sordid burden of the post-war epoch."

The Essen "National Zeitung" recalls Herr Hitler's visit to Venice in 1933 and declares that since this time Italy and Germany have developed into two mighty factors in the European concert of power.

"In welcoming the Duce to Germany, we can realize with gratitude that throughout the crisis periods of the past, he has remained true to the policy he realized was proper for his people and European peace in general." Trans-Ocean.

"Again we replied, and continued on our course.

"Nothing happened until 9.30 a.m. by which time we were in Spanish territorial waters, about 2½ miles northwest of Cape Del Ajo.

"Then suddenly, without warning the Almirante Cervera fired three shells in our direction, the first two fell between us and the land but the third fell to port, less than 100 yards away.

"We stopped immediately.

"The Almirante Cervera signalled to us: 'North!'"

"We turned the helm.

"Then she ran up another signal, in French:

"We Will Sink You"

"If you enter Santander we will sink you."

"To emphasise the warning, another shell came over, which almost grazed us.

"The cruiser steamed away but her place was immediately taken by an armed cargo boat, which signalled 'follow me.'

"A republican aeroplane came out from the land and circled to protect us but the trawler and the Almirante Cervera opened fire and drove it off.

"The Almirante Cervera signalled that we were not to use our wireless to demand assistance from French and British ships.

"The captain's request that we might put back to St. Jean de Luz was refused.

"A pilot came aboard and at 6 p.m. we moored in the port of Santurce."

M. Simon added that they were treated courteously but communication with the land was forbidden.

On July 10 they were allowed to leave with their cargo.

On the way back they saw the trawler La Liberte of Arcachon stopped at sea. All her cargo was transhipped to the Almirante Cervera and she was taken off in the direction of Bilbao.

There was no doubt as to the nationality of the Tregastel for the tricolour is painted in a broad band on the bridge and on each side of the hull.

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DIPLOMATS AND NAZI PARTY CONGRESS

Berlin, To-day.

As already reported, almost the entire Diplomatic Corps will attend this year's Nazi Party Congress at Nuremberg, including the British and French Ambassadors, and the full list of envoys who will be personal guests of Herr Hitler has now been published.

Those present will be the envoys of France, Turkey, Poland, Japan, Italy, Chile, China, Brazil, Argentina, Great Britain, Spain, Denmark, Egypt, Rumania, Switzerland, Austria, Greece, Irish Free State, Finland, Portugal, Columbia, Uruguay, Haiti, Cuba, Iraq, Latvia, Siam, Yugo-Slavia, Hungary, Belgium, Nicaragua, the Dominican Republic, Venezuela, Estonia, Bolivia, Panama, Sweden, the Netherlands and Bulgaria.—Trans-Ocean.

SEVEN HUNDRED WOUNDED ARRIVE IN NAPLES

Rome, To-day.

More than 700 wounded Italians, who had been serving as volunteers in Spain and had taken part in the operations leading to the fall of Bilbao and Santander, arrived at Naples yesterday on board an Italian hospital ship.

Among the wounded were 40 officers.

They were welcomed at the quayside by the Chief of Staff of the Fascist militia.—Trans-Ocean.

NO COLLECTIVE BARGAINING IN GOVT. SERVICES

Washington, To-day.

President Roosevelt, in a letter to Mr. Luther Steward, President of the National Federation of Federal Employees, takes up the position that employees of the Federal Government belong to unions must not resort to strikes or militant tactics to achieve their aims.

The Chief Executive declared that the process of collective bargaining, as usually understood, could not be transplanted into public service.—Reuter.

PETROL CONTROL BY CHINESE IN SHANGHAI

Shanghai, To-day.

The Chinese authorities have instituted control of consumption and transportation of gasoline and kerosene.

Only holders of special coupons will be allowed gasoline but they will be limited to two gallons daily.—Reuter.

FRENCH ISSUE CONVERSION LOAN

Paris, To-day.

An official decree announces the issue to-day of 1,000-franc 5 per cent. five or ten-year Treasury bonds at 940 francs for conversion of the remaining £17,000,000 4 1/2 per cent. 1934 bonds.—Reuter.

Athletic Meet

Helsingfors, To-day.

Finland defeated England in an athletic contest here yesterday by 92 points to 67.

The Finnish sprinters played a decisive part in their country's victory.—Trans-Ocean.

Bomb Damage On Submarine

Paris, To-day.

The Spanish Government submarine C4, which had sought refuge in Port Verdon to make repairs, is still in the roadstead there.

Damage to the upper part of the hull is clearly visible.

The commander says the damage was suffered when a bomb from a Nationalist plane struck the submarine while she was cruising on the surface off Gijon.—Trans-Ocean.

TO GO TO BORDEAUX

Paris, To-day.

The French Minister of Marine has given permission to the Spanish submarine C4 to proceed to Bordeaux for repairs, says "Le Temps".

Repairs to the submarine will be carried out by a private firm and not by the French Government.—Trans-Ocean.

MUSCLE POWER AVIATION

Milan, To-day.

Muscle power alone enabled the Italian airman, Emilio Casci, to fly a distance of 862 metres yesterday in 1 minute 14 3/5 seconds in a special glider.

The glider was only ten metres off the ground the whole distance.

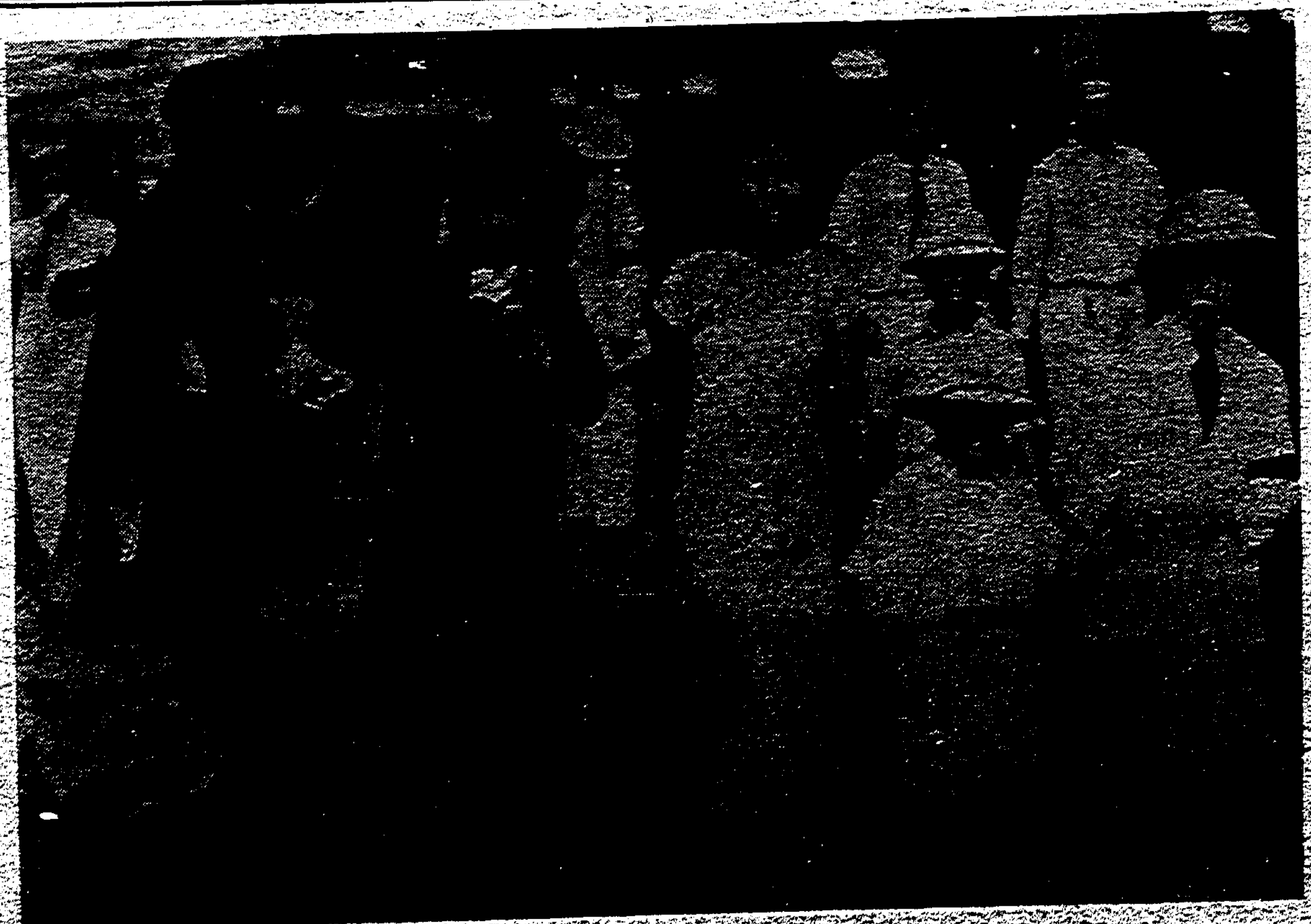
The glider is the invention of Vitorio Bonomi, one of the best-known Italian aviation designers.

He says that after improvements to the glider he will enter it in German competitions.—Trans-Ocean.

French Ambassador Visits Sir Hughe

Shanghai, To-day.

The French Ambassador, M. Paul Naggiar, spent a half hour with the British Ambassador, Sir Hughe Knatchbull-Hugessen, at the Country Hospital yesterday.—Reuter.



More Cantonese refugees are coming down to Hong Kong from Shanghai. Here is a group taken at the Kowloon wharves. ("Mail" photo)

BRITAIN MAY LODGE NEW PROTEST WITH JAPAN

If Any Of Three Demands Are Rejected In Tokyo

SUNDAY EXPRESS PREDICTION

London, To-day.

The "Sunday Express" foreshadows the despatch of a new British Note of protest to Japan in the event of Japan rejecting any of the three demands contained in the protest sent in connection with the wounding of the Ambassador to China, Sir Hughe Knatchbull-Hugessen.

Should Japan decline to pay due regard to the new British protest as well, then one can reckon, says the paper, with an interruption of diplomatic relations between London and Tokyo.

In this connection, the paper intimates that the full meeting of the Cabinet to-day will discuss measures for the protection of British interests in China.—Trans-Ocean.

RUSSIAN GOODS IN RUSSIAN SHIPS

Soviet shipping returns for the first half of 1937 show that the foreign tonnage chartered by the Soviet declined by 13 per cent., in comparison with the first six months of 1936.

Roughly one-half of the Soviet freight carried by foreign ships was timber. The remainder consisted mainly of oil, ores and coal from Black Sea ports.

Moreover, besides reducing the tonnage of the foreign shipping employed, the Soviet succeeded in increasing the number and tonnage of their own ships chartered to carry cargoes from one foreign port to another foreign port. For example, Soviet ships carried sugar from Cuba to Western Europe, chrome ore from Karachi to Norway, and other ore from Bombay to Antwerp.

FRENCH AIR STUNTING CRASH

Paris, To-day.

While landing at Vincennes airfield, near Paris yesterday, a French air force plane which had been giving a demonstration of stunting, crashed into two other planes on the ground.

The pilot of the plane which made the faulty landing was seriously injured, while all three machines are badly damaged.—Trans-Ocean.

Prague And Il Duce

Prague, To-day.

The forthcoming visit to Germany of Signor Mussolini is given great prominence in the Czechoslovakian press, though editorial comments are notable for their absence. Only foreign reaction to the visit has been published.—Trans-Ocean.

AMERICAN PACIFISTS ON WAR PATH

Washington, To-day.

Six American peace organisations which despatched letters to President Roosevelt demanding application of the Neutrality Act in the Sino-Japanese conflict, are now appealing in concert to the American people for support.

They declare the people must make their demands for neutrality known to the President.—Reuter.

SCORES KILLED IN KWANGTUNG ATTACKS

Canton, To-day.

Scores of villagers were killed and wounded in the unexpected onslaught of Japanese naval and air craft on the Sanmei and Haifung districts.

A dozen villages along the coast and further inland were systematically bombed by the planes, while Japanese destroyers stood off Sanmei and shelled for an hour.

Damage done was considerable. Canton, on receiving warning of the raid, sent a squadron of fighters to the Haifung district, but they found the air raiders had disappeared.

Latest reports show that a Japanese aircraft carrier is lying off the coast near Amoy. Planes appeared over Swatow yesterday afternoon, but dropped no bombs.—Our Own Correspondent.

FOURTEEN DIE IN CATHOLIC PILGRIM TRAIN DISASTER

Cologne, To-day.

Fourteen were killed and 16 seriously injured when the locomotive and four carriages of a special train conveying 800 Roman Catholic pilgrims left the rails while passing through the station of Holzheim, near Dusseldorf, yesterday.

The train was made up of seventeen carriages, three of which were smashed to smithereens.

Among the dead is the engine driver.

An enquiry into the cause of the disaster has already been opened.—Trans-Ocean.

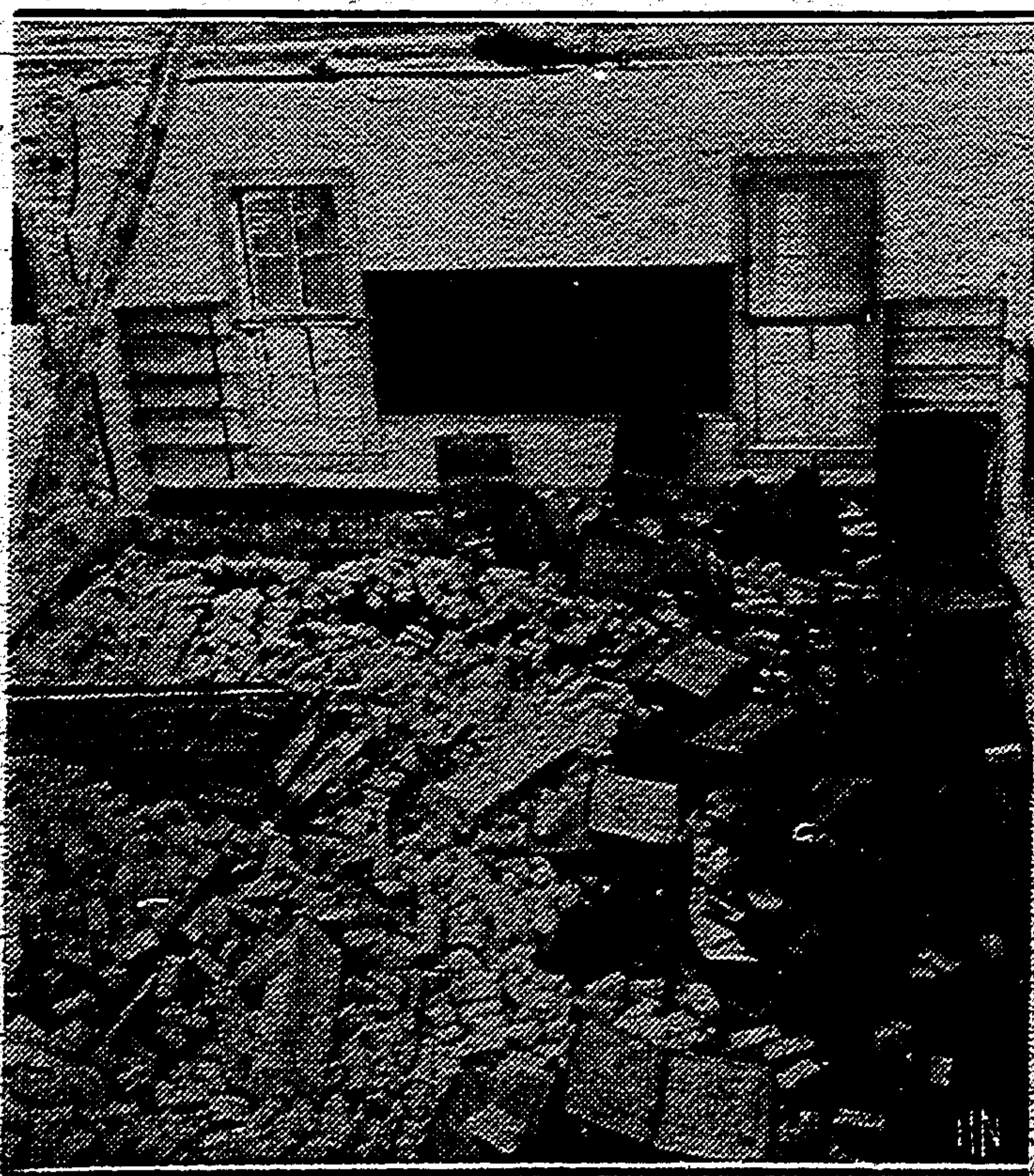
RECORD TOTALISATOR RETURN

Berlin, To-day.

The totalisator returned record figures at the Karlsruh race meeting here yesterday.

One of the steeplechase events was won by a horse which returned odds of 31,940 to 16.—Trans-Ocean.

A Tornado Goes to School



This interior view of a classroom in Falls City, Texas, shows the force of the tornado which swept the town and completely demolished these desks and other classroom equipment. The entire roof was removed as the side of the building was blown in. No pupils were in the school at the time.

It is a Daily Occurrence

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SHIPS FOR TRADE OR SHIPS FOR WAR?

PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT'S request to Congress on June 8, asking it to appropriate a total of \$160,000,000 to rebuild the American merchant marine through direct subsidies under the supervision of the Maritime Commission, marks the first active step toward the application of the construction subsidy clauses of the Merchant Marine Act of 1936. The total appropriation would be sufficient to assist in the construction of ninety-five new vessels of various types.

The question arises, however, as to whether that appropriation, if granted, would become a mere "blind" for increasing the naval power of the United States. If so, it would be in step with the practices of many nations which are subsidizing, not merely the construction of merchant ships, although that is the ostensible purpose, but really are helping to build vessels which, in time of need, can be converted quickly into ships of war. This has been true, with only one exception, in recent years.

The Nieuw Amsterdam, 33,000-ton flagship of the Holland-America Line, sliding down the ways at Rotterdam on April 10, meant more to the world than the launching of another queen of the seas. She is said to be the first major passenger vessel of any nation to enter the water in many a decade that does not hide within her steel hull the makings of a first-class armed cruiser, aircraft carrier, troop transport, hospital ship or naval auxiliary. Say her builders, "She is being built entirely for the comfort of passengers on their peaceful occasions."

Dramatically, the Nieuw Amsterdam points the way to a policy other nations do not choose to follow. The United States and nearly every country of importance regards a new merchant vessel as a possible naval ship. In Washington, as in European official quarters, a watchful naval bureau of design casts an appraising eye over the plans of a proposed vessel, whose builders seek construction subsidies. The naval authorities suggest the inclusion of small details, minor changes in the design to pave the way for conversion of the ship to naval use in time of war. For the cost of including these little details, the government pays outright in addition to the usual construction and operating subsidies.

The four passenger-cargo vessels of the Exochorda class, newest additions to American Export Line's Mediterranean service, are believed to be ideal for instant conversion. They are reputed to have sides so built that light armour can be easily attached.

A number of nations have outstripped the United States in the extent to which they have applied the conversion scheme. Airplane catapults have been provided occasionally, as formerly on the Europa. Excessive speed, beyond economic peacetime needs, may be included, as in the new fleet of 19-knot Japanese freighters. A comparison of the profiles of the great 27-to-30-knot superliners built since 1922 has suggested to many observers that their magnificent sweep of decks, bearing only such non-essential superstructure as may be readily removed, has been planned with an eye to conversion into airplane landing areas.

Let us forget the important role

Sleek Liners and Busy Freighters Are Potential Fighting Craft, for Merchant Vessels Have Long Been Designed to Permit Conversion to Belligerent Uses.

played by merchant vessels in the World War, Captain Dudley W. Knox, U.S.N., retired, hastens to remind us that Great Britain fitted the Aquitania with six-inch guns and sailed her "forth as an armed cruiser within five days of the declaration of war in 1914." The Carmania—famed for the sinking of the German armed merchant vessel, Captain Trafalgar, in South

Atlantic waters—"was at sea as a fully equipped armed cruiser within ten days of the outbreak of hostilities."

By Roy L. Pepperburg

Naturally a line turned into a light cruiser would be no match for a man-of-war. But this fact does not lessen the light cruiser's value for patrol purposes, blockade work, and many other uses. The usefulness of Britain's Tenth Cruiser Squadron, composed of twenty-five armed merchant ships, is enough to bring the total to 56

the policy is now a thing of the past.

The Jones-White Act became parent to the greatest era of peacetime shipbuilding this country has ever witnessed. Notable among the vessels launched under the terms of the Act are the Manhattan and Washington, of the United States Lines; President Hoover and President Coolidge, of the Dollar Line; and the Mariposa, Monterey, Lurline and the Matson Line. Add

THE WORLD GOES BY By "ULYSSES"

IVE been working on the script of a cinema play. It is to be called (if it passes the Censor) "The Faithful Cockroach," and is to have a strong love interest. The beautiful heroine (a close-up will prove the beauty) is, owing to the death of both her parents in a church fire, living alone in a cottage with no other companion than a cockroach she had befriended when it fell on its back in a saucer of molasses, carelessly left on the kitchen table by the negress cook, who was a West Indian. This cockroach, naturally, is devoted to the heroine. (Several shots of it gambolling by her side as she walks abroad). Algernon Bertram Halibut, a handsome youth who greases his hair heavily and parts it in the middle, sees her and falls in a big way. He breaks out in ties, socks and fancy weskits. (Another close-up). One day he notices her faithful companion, and remarking "There's a cockroach," tries to put his foot on it. (Picture of the foot descending nearer and nearer to the faithful cockroach, should thrill the audience). Quick as lightning the heroine, seeing the peril of her pet, seizes the foot in the nick of time, and unbalances Algernon Bertram Halibut so that he sits down, hard, on a rock. (Picture of rock, looking very startled). Algernon Bertram concludes that she does not like him, and enlists as a Hong Kong Civil Servant. He becomes a census collector. He will leave a paper at her cottage on which she must confess her true age. Picture of heroine, reading the printed instructions, and weeping. Cockroach sympathising. At last, dry-

ing her eyes and wetting the pen, she puts down the fatal figures, to avoid the penalty. Picture switches to show Algernon Bertram, sitting with his evil companions at the Census Office, gloating with them over her imminent discomfiture. Picture switches back to show the heroine, in her nightie, praying beside her little bed, cockroach listening with an intelligent look in its antennae. She puts out the light, so that the audience may not see her ankles as she dives into bed, and a beautiful harvest moon shines in at the window. (Soft music). By the light of the moon the faithful cockroach is seen climbing the table leg. He gets to the top, runs to the census paper and nibbles away the age part. (Music rises to a crescendo). Foiled! Saved! Halibut, ridiculed by his evil companions, poisons himself with a hairbrush. Heroine's long-lost lover in naval officer's uniform comes, and we see them walking hand in hand to the village cathedral. Faithful Cockroach (in a fade-out) holding the bride's train.

Will M.G.M., Paramount, Fox, etc. please apply to the "China Mail" office for this thrilling drama of love, passion, hate, intrigue, etc. Exclusive rights will be given to the highest bidder.

I read in a Home paper of a luxury yacht, which has this and that on board, and "two births."

This is the first time I have seen twins described as home comforts. The little so-and-sos, even when they come singly, somewhat disturb comfort. But perhaps at sea it's different.

ships—477,832 tons, costing \$157,000,000—and you will have an idea of the impetus given to American shipbuilding.

The fondest dreams of the sponsors of the Act appeared to have been realised. But abuses developed in the operation of the measure, both with respect to the original loans and mail contracts to aid the operation and maintenance of the vessels. President Roosevelt in his first term applied the words "subterfuge" and "failure" to the "disguised subsidy" system. Pointing to subsidy abuses and excessive salaries, the President proposed "the termination of existing ocean mail contracts as rapidly as possible," and advised Congress to "terminate the practice of lending government money for shipbuilding."

The result was the passage of the Merchant Marine Act of 1936. Under this measure direct "construction-differential subsidies" and "operating-differential subsidies" entered the American scene for the first time. The two types of subsidy are expected to offset lower construction and operating costs existing abroad. The bill limits the construction differential which the government will pay, to not more than one-third of the cost of a proposed ship, but may in an unusual instance be increased to 50 per cent.

Persons interested in the limitation of armaments rather than the strengthening of military machines have been quick to grasp the importance of the merchant bottom as an auxiliary naval unit. Coincident with direct naval limitation, efforts have been made to limit the preparations for naval conversion that can be built into a merchant steamer. The question first arose at the Washington Disarmament Conference of 1922, the only conference to date that has reached the treaty stage.

The outcome of the conference was the treaty between the United States, Great Britain, France, Italy and Japan. Article XIV of the treaty limited the armament of merchant ships:

No preparations shall be made in merchant ships in time of peace for the installation of warlike armaments for the purposes of converting such ships into vessels of war other than the necessary stiffening of decks for the mounting of guns not exceeding six-inch (152 mm.) caliber.

Preparatory commissions, the advance guard of later conferences in 1930 and 1932, also included this paragraph in the rough drafts written for their conferences. Both meetings reached mutual disagreements and came to no decision. But expressions of approval or disapproval are on record. The Japanese delegation to the Preparatory Commission of 1930 gave its approval with noticeable hesitation and "reserved the right to raise the question of the limitation of aircraft equipment on merchant vessels, possibly at the conference itself."

The only restriction on preparations in merchant ships to date, then, has been the clause in the 1922 treaty limiting preparations to those needed for the placing of six-inch guns. Even this clause is now a thing of the past, having expired, unused, when the treaty became void.

HUGE CLAIM BY ROYALTY IN PRAGUE

Prague, To-day. Duchess Dorothea-Marie of Schleswing-Holstein, daughter of the late Prince Philip of Coburg and Princess Louise of Belgium, is to sue the Czecho-Slovakian State for recovery of the sum of 133,000,000 crowns.

The sum represents the proportion of her father's estate to which she claims to be legally entitled.

It appears that when the co-heirs of the late Prince Philip sold the latter's domains in Slovakia to the Czech State, they failed to take the Duchess's claim into account, and subsequently alleged financial inability to meet the claim.

The suit has created somewhat of a sensation. — Trans-Ocean.

STILL HUNTING FOR SOVIET AIRMEN

Moscow, To-day. It is officially announced here that continued bad weather in the Arctic region still prevents further progress in the search for the missing Russian plane which started on a flight from Moscow to Fairbanks, Alaska, and has not been seen since.

One airman, however, succeeded in taking off from the delta of the Kolyma River in the eastern Arctic, and has flown eastwards to the Schmidt Peninsula, where he is now in radio communication with the icebreaker Krassan, also participating in the search.

Sir Hubert Wilkins, the famous British explorer, took off from Akavik, Alaska, to join in the search but was obliged to return owing to unfavourable weather. — Trans-Ocean.

PARDON ENDS A LIFE SENTENCE

Woman Who Loved Corsican Bandit

Mlle. Madeleine Mancini, former friend of the Corsican bandit, Nonce Romanetti, has been pardoned after serving eight years of a sentence of hard labour for life.

She was sentenced at Bastia, Corsica, in 1928, on a charge of having abetted other bandits in avenging Romanetti's death. Some years later her guilt was questioned and her sentence was reduced to 15 years' hard labour, and since then a campaign has continued both in Corsica and in France in her favour.

Shortly after the war Romanetti went to the village of Lava, near Ajaccio, and asked Madeleine Mancini's father to shelter him for the night. He fell in love with Madeleine, who remained faithful to him despite constant ill-treatment.

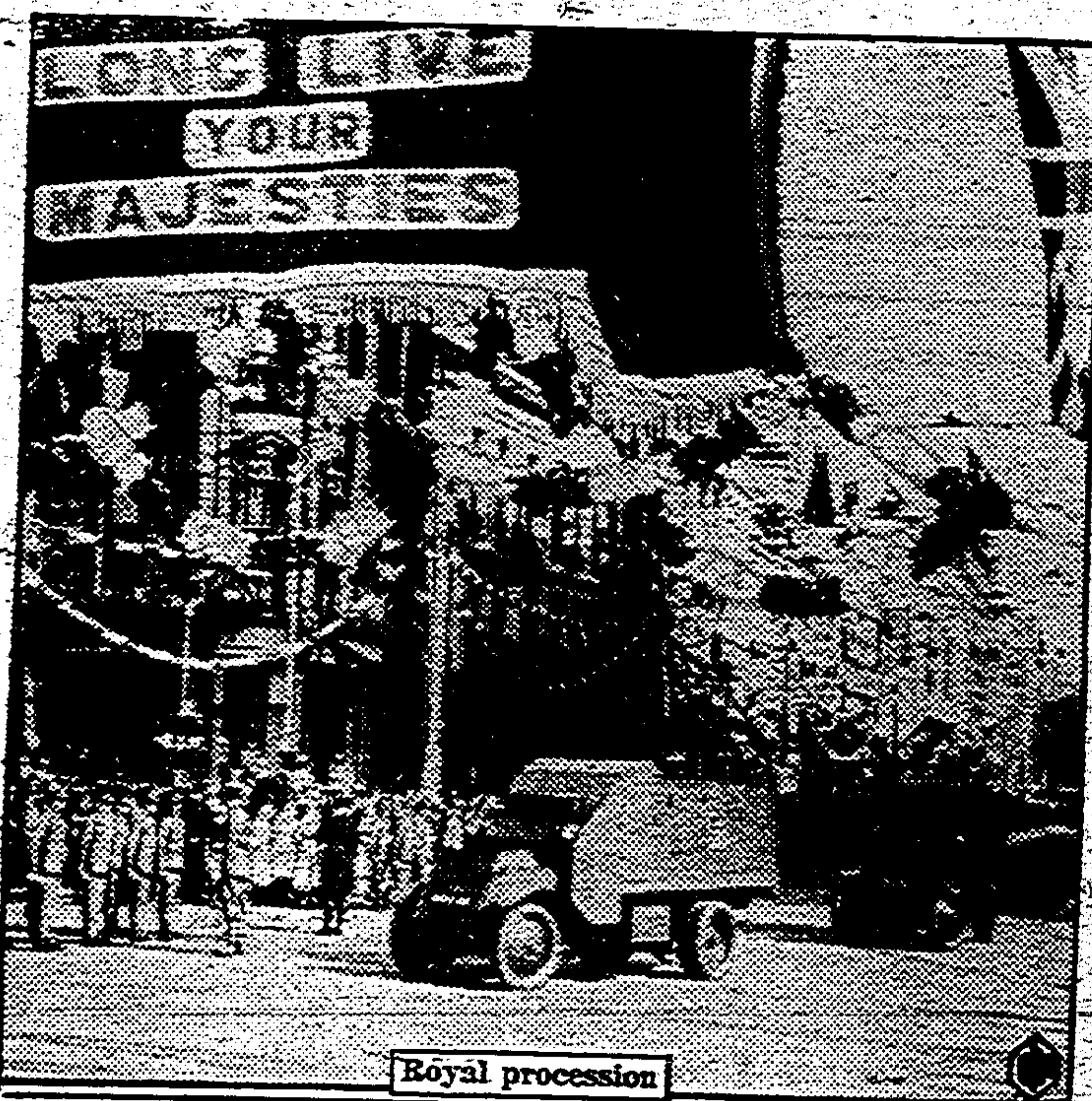
In 1928, as Romanetti was leaving the Mancinis' house, he was shot dead. Some months later a relative of Madeleine, Antoine Mancini, and his two sons were shot dead by three bandits.

At the trial one of the her bandits accused Madeleine of having incited him to the murder, and she was convicted. The bandit's accusation against the woman has now been recognised as false.

Gas Masks, a New English Custom



A sign of the times in good old England is this picture made during Chatham Navy week. The oilskinned sailors at the left are members of the "decontamination squad" rehearsing their duties under the watchful eye of gasmasked villagers.



An idea of the extraordinary precautions taken for safeguarding the king and queen of England when they visited North Ireland is given by this photo showing armored cars leading the royal procession in Belfast. Riots and bombing marked the arrival of royalty as factions, presumably from South Ireland, seeking complete independence of Ireland from England kept the capital of North Ireland in an uproar.

FREE STATE AND LONDON NEWSPAPERS

Dublin, To-day. The attitude towards the Irish Free State of English newspaper correspondents in Dublin will come up for discussion in the Dail immediately that body reassembles.

Political circles here allege that the correspondents carry on a systematic campaign of misrepresentation against the Free State.

It is pointed out that the new Free State Constitution will contain provisions enabling the Government to deal with certain press campaigns against the State and carried on within the latter's frontiers. — Trans-Ocean.

"RAUCOUS VOICES" IN CLASSROOMS

Teachers Criticised

Raucous-voiced teachers were criticised by Mr. Frank Roscoe, senior tutor, speaking at the City of London Vacation Course at Bedford College.

Many teachers used their voices wrongly and gave themselves unnecessary fatigue in the classroom, he said.

Long-suffering children had to sit and listen to raucous-voiced teachers for four or five hours a day. They should take the trouble to learn something about voice production.

"The trouble with many teachers," continued Mr. Roscoe, "is that they have read the early part of the Book of Genesis, and they have learned that God created man in His own image. They say to themselves: 'Very well, I must make my children on my own image.'"

"These teachers should look at their work in another way and should say instead: 'My job is not to make these children like me. Heaven forbid it! My job is to make them realise fully the powers with which they came into the world.'"

"The teacher to-day ought to be without being distracted by all the minor cares which harass other members of the community."

HOW POOR TOWNS ARE HELPED

High Grants By State

Out of every £100 of public expenditure in the average county borough, £39 7s is met out of grants from the National Exchequer, according to "Local Government Financial Statistics," published by the Stationery Office.

The statistics show that it is largely by the help of these grants that local authorities especially in the poorer areas, are able to maintain good standards in health and other social services.

In St. Helens, Lancs, out of every £100 of public expenditure, £56 4s is met out of Government grants; at the other end of the scale is Bournemouth, with only £14 8s met.

In rural areas, where agricultural land pays no rates, the proportion from Exchequer grants is still higher. In 47 out of the 62 counties it is over £50, and in the Isle of Ely, Huntingdon, Montgomery and Rutland it is over £70, the extreme case being Huntingdon £76 7s.

The proportion is lowest in the prosperous counties of the south-east, London, £30 7s, being the lowest all counties.

AMERICA'S 24-HOUR WATCH ON FAR EAST

Washington, To-day.

At a press conference on board the yacht "Indian" yesterday, President Roosevelt reiterated that the Administration is still on a "24-hour watching basis" as far as invoking the Neutrality Act is concerned.

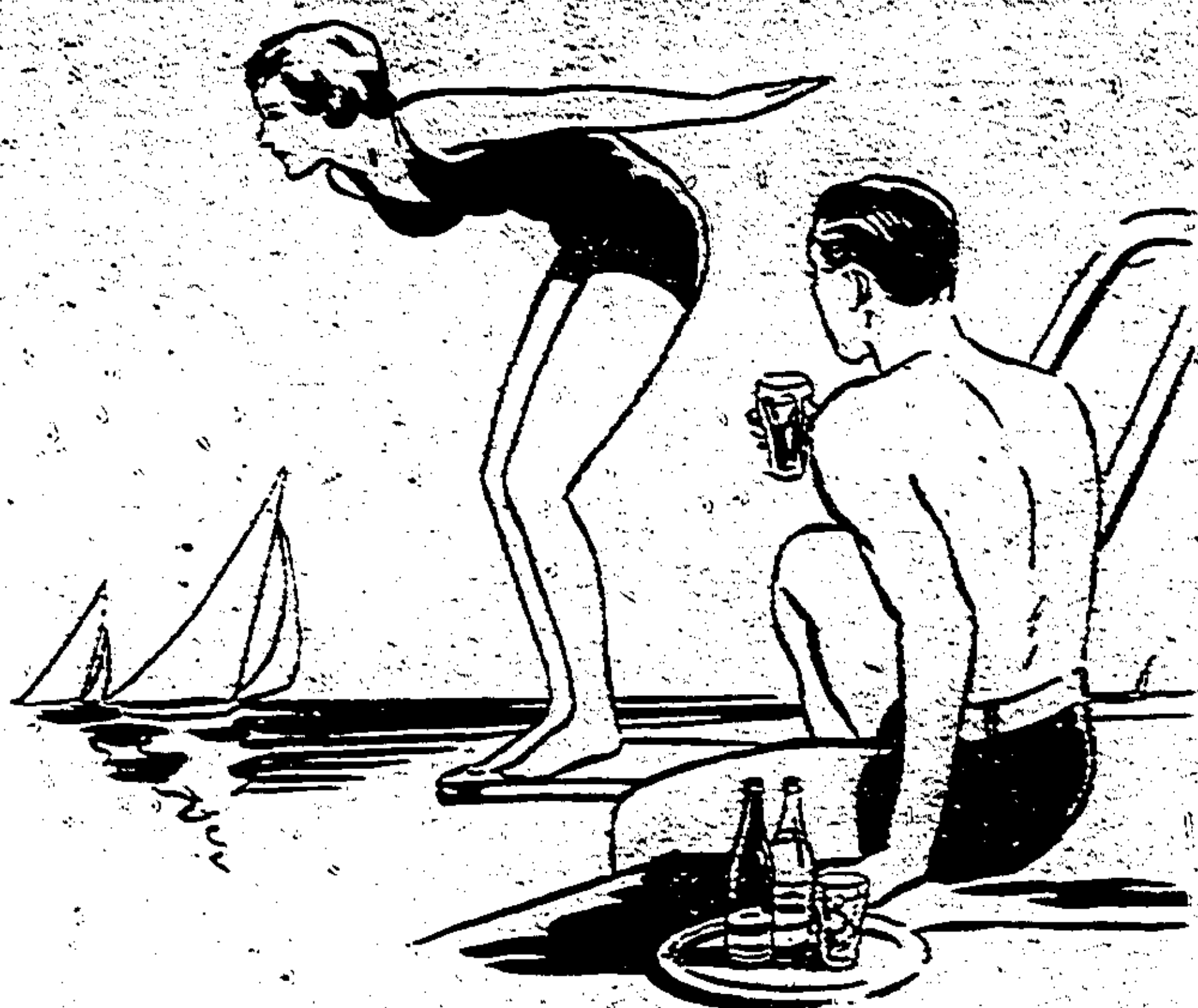
The President added that 7,780 Americans were still in China. — Reuter.

6Ft. Waves From The Queen Mary

Thousands of holidaymakers on the beach at Ryde, Isle of Wight, had to run to safety when two waves more than 6ft high were sent up by the Queen Mary.

Bathers, warned by longshoremen, hurried from the water.

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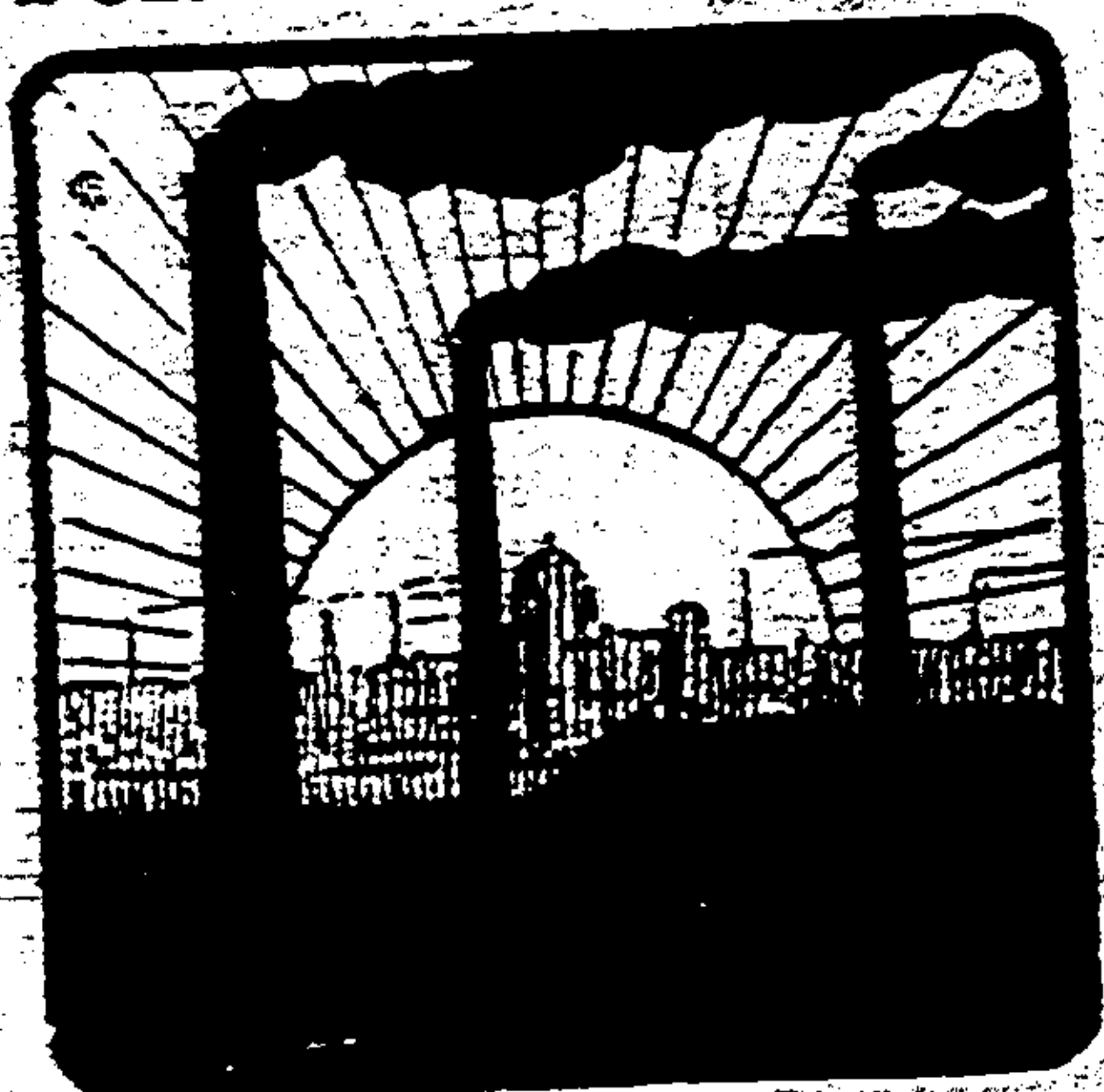
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U.S. SUPREME COURT

English Liberals will regret and American Liberals (for some reason) rejoice that Mr. Roosevelt's plan to reform the Supreme Court came to grief in the United States Senate. Mr. Roosevelt proposed that judges should be invited to retire at the age of seventy and that, in case of refusal, additional judges should be appointed up to a maximum of six. He made this proposal because previously the aged and conservative judges of the Court had declared unconstitutional almost every important Act by which he hoped to put into force his New Deal and because the only other way to remove this barrier would have been the clumsy and almost impossible one of amending the Constitution. It was, one may admit, a scheme to "pack the Court" and to that extent objectionable, but to the outsider it seemed justified both by the history of the Court itself and by the enormous weight of progressive opinion behind Mr. Roosevelt's New Deal. The Supreme Court, moreover, did not diminish suspicions concerning its impartiality by changing its mind, when the scheme was announced, and declaring constitutional several Acts which a few months before it would certainly have declared unconstitutional. Mr. Roosevelt's opponents (and many of his "supporters") have said that he should have been content with this sudden change of opinion, but if the Supreme Court can change its mind once it can change it again. Now that the sword of Roosevelt has been removed from over their heads, it is quite conceivable that the judges will return to their former frame of mind. The collapse of the scheme is certainly a serious blow to Mr. Roosevelt, who steadfastly refused all compromise. It has shown that his political sense is not infallible, and that he is not always master of his own majority in Congress, but one doubts whether it has seriously affected his popularity in the country at large.

Minds And Maladies

A specialist from Budapest who went to the United States to confer with physicians on hay fever (which is evidently an international as well as a baffling complaint) has suggested that the malady is one that tends to

attack only the more highly cultivated human types. It is a pity that anyone should have to pay for culture so literally through the nose, but it is not the first time that certain ailments have been associated with superior attainments. One can dismiss the old idea of gout as a ducal disease, but asthma has been said to have an affinity for intelligent types, and it is obvious that "nerves" of one sort or another are more likely to trouble the professor than the farm labourer. Such propositions, even when they come with medical authority, console rather than cure, but it is possible that they may, by stimulating a sense of pride in the sufferer, help him to keep a stiff upper lip in the face of affliction. Nor in this case could any sense of personal distinction be regarded as undesirably vainglorious. The type of pride against which the moralists warn us may go before a fall, but with such sufferers the fall must precede the pride; it is the ailment which is supposed to establish the intellect, the accomplished hay-fever which hints at the height of the brow. No one with any human sympathies would seek to reduce the pride (if it exists) by challenging the proposition. But cannot some learned man do us all a good turn by discovering that there are signs of genuine intellectual distinction in a capacity for acquiring the common cold?

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The Hustled Babe

As most of us are well aware, it takes a long time and much careful fostering to escort the human being from infancy to years of discretion; Rome was not built in a day, nor does the babe advance from helplessness to a sense of responsibility and a capacity to paddle its own canoe in the same brief period. But somebody who has been addressing a "Convention of Natural Sciences" at Los Angeles has dreams that the process may be speeded up. "The economic waste and tedious labour of rearing children," it was announced, "will be eliminated if scientific experiments now being carried out in America are brought to fruition."

It is those glands of hope and glory that are to do the trick. Rats, it is pointed out, can be rushed up to maturity in four days as the result of "glandular injections," and if human beings would only react to the treatment in the same way as rats "they would be university graduates at eight years old." They might, of course, also die of senile decay at fifteen, and even the expert who has been outlining his conclusions at Los Angeles admitted that points of that kind "remain subjects for careful consideration." They do indeed. Before anything more is done in the matter someone ought to devise a way of finding out whether the babe itself really wishes to be "bounced out" of normal childhood in order that some sections of society may be relieved of "the economic waste and tedious labour of rearing children." In spite of the "tedium" which is involved probably not many parents would really wish to see their offspring rushing up instead of growing up in the old and uneconomic way.

SQUADRON FOR BOYS OF NAVY

Specially Formed For Training

I understand that an important change is to be made in the method of training the Navy's boy seamen, as soon as circumstances permit, writes Hector Bywater.

It has been decided to organise a special training squadron out of small vessels drawn from the Reserve Fleet, possibly comprising light cruisers and other craft. This squadron will be manned for the most part by boy seamen with a nucleus of experienced ratings and a special staff of instructors.

It will make periodical cruises in home waters. The course of instruction will be such that when a boy leaves the squadron to be drafted to a regular unit of the Fleet he will be able almost at once to play his part as a useful member of the ship's company.

The last training squadron was disbanded in 1931, when the ships composing it—four Iron Duke class battleships—were condemned under the London Treaty.

The advantages of a special training squadron for boys are so obvious that it would have been reorganised long ago but for the shortage of naval personnel. Thanks to the increase in personnel during the last few years this difficulty is now being overcome.

PRESENT DISADVANTAGES

Under the present system boys who pass out from the shore training establishments at Portsmouth, Devonport, Shotley and Rosyth are drafted to the battleships Ramillies and Revenge of the Home Fleet, where they receive special instruction.

This practice, however, has its disadvantages. The presence of 30 inexperienced boys, representing nearly one-third of the ship's company, seriously detracts from the ship's state of readiness and efficiency for action, while the berthing problem presents difficulties.

It is also doubtful whether a large battleship is the most suitable training school for youngsters to acquire their "sealegs" and become familiar with the sea in all its moods.

CHINESE COOKS IN GUNBOATS

The Board of Admiralty has revealed that during a review of service conditions a request was made that an English cook rating be borne in gunboats as ship's cook to ensure greater cleanliness.

The Board's decision was that cleanliness was a matter of internal organisation and supervision, and that it was not considered that English cooks would prove as satisfactory as Chinese cooks under trying climatic conditions in a confined space. In future construction, provision would be made for a separate small galley for Chinese ratings.

In reply to a request that conditions under which naval ratings travel in Army troopships should be reviewed, especially for junior ratings, and that table-cloths should be issued to them, the Board stated that a thorough examination of the conditions had been undertaken

Mystery Of Sir Basil Zarahoff's Double

Basil Zarahoff, mysterious European munitions "king" died before a German firing squad in 1915, and a double carried his name during the 21 subsequent years the world believed him alive.

So said Dr. Fernand Kabus, Polish journalist and international salesman, while in Honolulu on a business trip.

Claiming acquaintance with both "Zarahoffs," Dr. Kabus said he is writing a book to prove that Sir Basil employed a double in his munitions deals. This partnership, the journalist declared, promoted many of the legends surrounding the super armaments salesman.

DOUBLE THAT DIED

Sir Basil's death was reported last November, but Dr. Kabus claimed it was the double who had lived so long.

"When the real Zarahoff was killed by a firing squad in 1915, Germany's official announcement was not believed because the double appeared in London and denied it."

Masquerading as his employer, the double continued in the munitions business until 1926, when he retired, said Dr. Kabus.

U.S. TAXATION ON FOREIGNERS

Heavier taxes on non-resident aliens who have substantial investments in the United States will probably be one feature of the proposed bill to prevent tax evasion. The Joint Congress Committee which has been studying this question has now submitted its report to Congress and it is expected that a bill embodying its recommendations will become law this session.

These recommendations aim at making it more difficult for Americans to reduce their obligations to the Treasury by such devices as personal holding companies and artificial deductions for losses. The committee also suggests that wealthy non-resident aliens should be compelled to pay the same taxes on their incomes from American sources as persons living in the United States would pay.

It proposes that the present flat-rate of 10 per cent. should be maintained for incomes up to £4,320 a year, but that on larger sums taxes and super-taxes should be levied in accordance with domestic schedules.

Non-resident aliens would also be required to file annual returns. If this proposal is adopted it will probably stem the present influx of foreign capital.

with a view to meeting causes of complaint.

Another request was that a greater variety of provisions be carried for issue in standard ration ships, including tinned fruit, tinned vegetables, butter, etc.

The Board replied that the desirability of a variety of provisions was recognised, and additions were made from time to time as conditions permitted.

"I first met Sir Basil in the Imperial Hotel at Tokyo in 1913. On the same day a friend reported seeing him in Peking." At that time Dr. Kabus was Far Eastern correspondent for a now defunct European news agency.

That incident, the journalist said, first aroused his suspicion of the suave salesman whose swift travels contributed to the fabulous stories concerning him. Dr. Kabus opined that Sir Basil, by using a double, was duplicating his offers to munitions sales to the Japanese and Chinese governments.

BOTH WORE BEARDS

The real Zarahoff, he asserted, was about 10 years older than his double, but both were bearded and affected the same pock marks.

Dr. Kabus said he was a neighbour of the double for eight years in Paris. Sir Basil would have been 86 years old if he had lived until 1936, the journalist claimed.

Mr. Wang Ching-Wei Gives Lead

Nanking, Saturday.

Mr. Wang Ching-wei, Chairman of the Central Political Council, has converted his 200 mou estate in the Sun Yat-sen Mausoleum Park into \$40,000 worth of the new National Salvation Bonds, it was learned here to-day.

He has also pledged the interest from the bonds to be used for war relief work among refugees. —Central News.

Mass Murder Of Prisoners Alleged

Salamanca, Saturday.

An official communique issued by Nationalist headquarters says that the Nationalist troops on the Santander front, have occupied the town of Potez.

It is alleged that before evacuating the town, the Government militiamen murdered all Nationalist sympathisers who had been detained in local prisons for political offences.

The advance is still continuing and the Nationalists have occupied further strategically important towns.

Booty captured in to-day's fighting includes eight 10.5 centimetre guns.

On the Aragon front the Nationalists have captured several important positions in the sector north of the River Ebro.

Only at one point, in the Penarofa sector, have the loyalists succeeded in breaking through the Nationalist lines.

Elsewhere all Republican attacks were repulsed.

A war bulletin issued by the Spanish Government in Valencia says that heavy fighting has taken place in the Pozoblanco sector.

The Nationalist positions were attacked by the Government troops and were finally captured after the Nationalists had thrice driven back the Republican infantry with successful counter-attacks.

On the Teruel front, and the northern front the Nationalists are still heavily pressing on the Government positions. — Trans-Ocean.

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MEDITERRANEAN CONFERENCE

Ten Powers Now Agree To Participate

London, To-day.

It is learned that Britain and France have decided jointly to invite ten other Powers to participate in the Mediterranean Conference on "piracy."

The Powers are Italy, Russia, Germany, Yugoslavia, Greece, Turkey, Egypt, Albania, Rumania and Bulgaria.

It is hoped to hold the Conference at a place near Geneva on September 10. It will be entirely independent of the League of Nations.



Officially taking over the reins of government on his 18th birthday, King Farouk (left), of Egypt, is shown at Alexandria with Premier Nahas Pasha as he greeted his subjects from the observation platform of his train enroute to Cairo. This means of contact seems very American.

EMPIRE SETTLEMENT OVERSEAS

The steps which should be taken to bring about an early resumption of overseas settlement within the Empire are to be discussed by a comprehensively constituted Empire and Migration and Development Conference in London on October 11, 12 and 13.

The conference will consider every Imperial social and economic aspect of migration. Among the speakers will be the Bishop of London, Dr. Winnington Ingram, Viscount Horne, Viscount Bledisloe, Viscount Elibank, and Sir Henry Page-Croft, M.P.

The conference will be held at Guildhall, under the presidency of the Lord Mayor, Sir George Broadbridge.

"Practically every part of the Empire will participate," said Mr.

It is recalled that eight Mediterranean Powers signed the submarine protocol of the London Naval Treaty of 1936.

British circles state that all forecasts hitherto made in regard to the nature of the proposals Britain will submit to the Conference are purely speculative.—Reuter.

PRESS COMMENT

Paris, To-day.

The forthcoming Mediterranean Conference on "piracy" is attracting much attention in the French press.

The Paris "Soir" says that some sort of Anglo-French plan, designed to bring about appeasement in the Mediterranean, has already been drawn up, but the paper states that in no case will it be a question of forming an international fleet for the protection of shipping.—Trans-Ocean.

H. B. Donaldson, honorary organiser of the Empire Migration Settlement Group, who is in charge of the arrangements.

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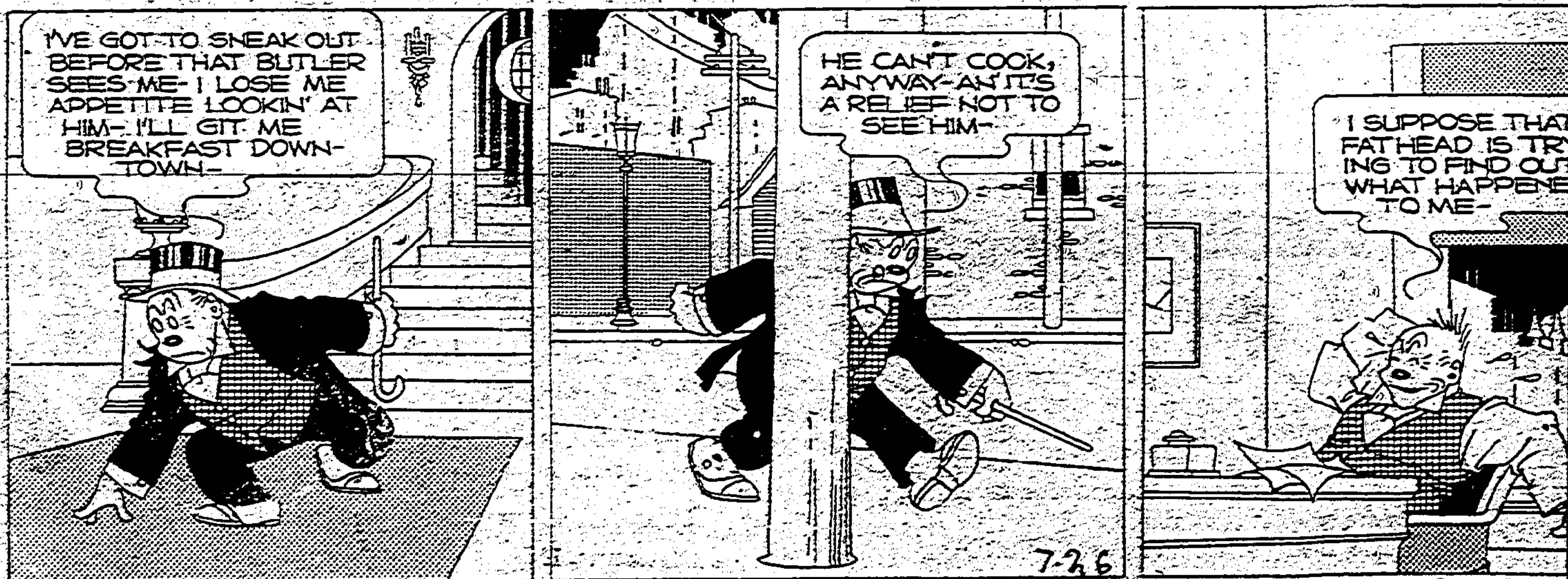
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gruesome business of collecting the horribly mangled bodies of the dead had been completed. Shelling disaster in Shanghai, fireman washed down the streets. On left is Wing On's Department Store, opposite which is Sincere's.



General Udet (right) being greeted by the President of International Aviation Meeting at Zurich, where German war planes were shown for the first time.

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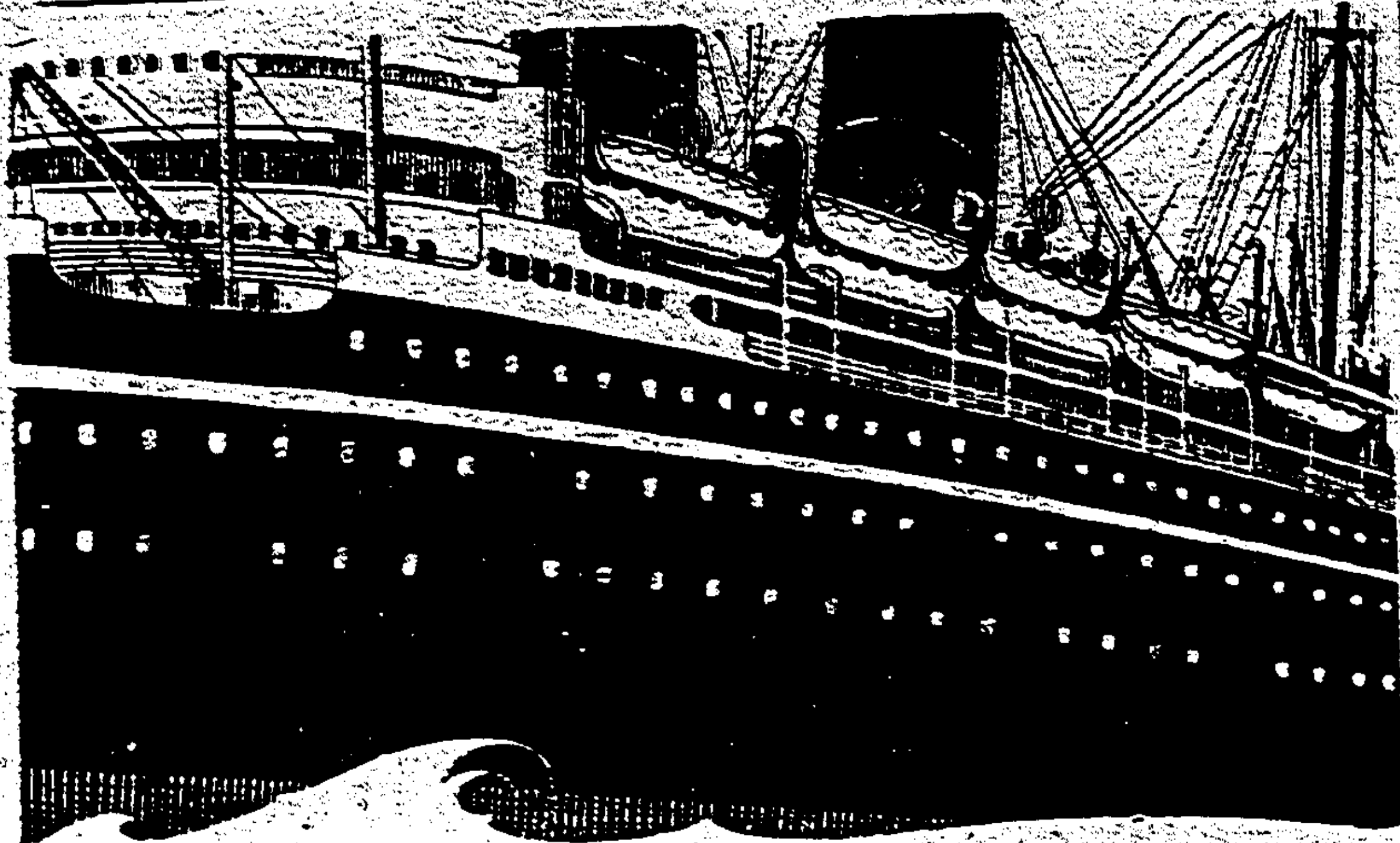


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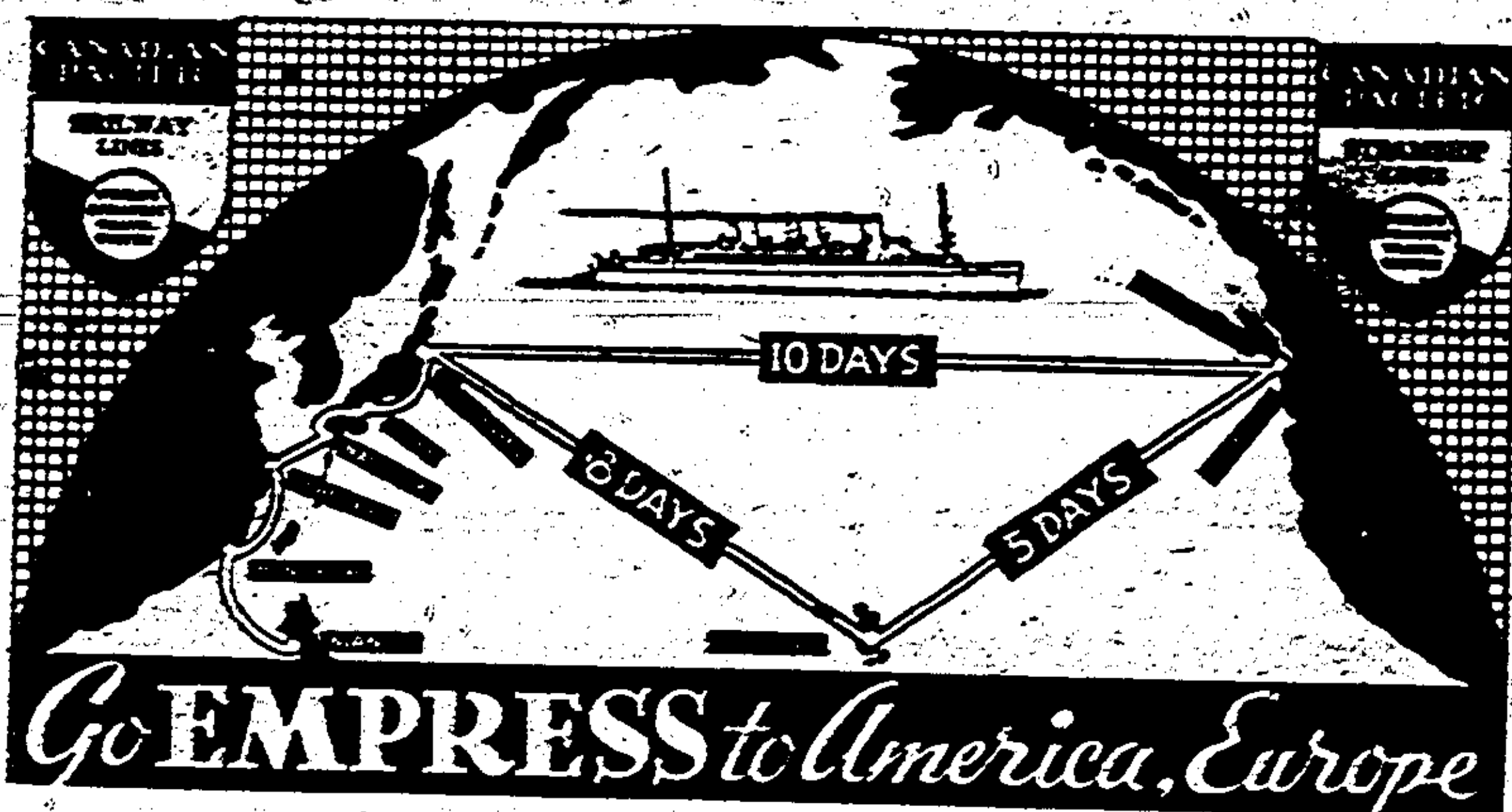
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STEPS TO CHECK BLINDNESS HEALTH-MINISTERS SCHEME DETAILS SENT TO AUTHORITIES

A comprehensive scheme for dealing with the problem of blindness has been issued to local authorities by Sir Kingsley Wood, Minister of Health, with a reminder of their powers to assist in the prevention of the affliction.

The plan has been prepared by the Standing Committee on the Prevention of Blindness, and deals with measures which should be taken in the maternity and child-welfare services and in infectious diseases, and in reducing the risks to those employed in road-making, hedge-cutting and some other occupations.

It is suggested that if local authorities could be persuaded that the proper exercise of their powers might well lead to a decrease in the number of cases of blindness, and, incidentally, to a reduction of unremunerative expenditure, they would be willing to make full use of those powers.

Arrangements whereby some local authorities utilise the services of the school clinic and of the ophthalmic surgeon attending there for the examination of children under school age are recommended as "economical and desirable, and capable of further expansion."

Measures At School

Of school services, it is stated that one of the most important problems needing investigation is the influence of myopia in causing blindness, and the part played by the special school for partially sighted children in preventing it.

Attention is drawn to the possibility of serious eye trouble resulting from infectious diseases, especially measles. Arrangements should

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Battalions' New Titles

Changes in the titles of a number of units of the Territorial Army have been announced by the War Office. One result is that none of the London-raised battalions will have "London Regiment" as part of its designation.

Every one of the surviving infantry battalions bears the title of the corps to which it belongs—a reversion to the practice in the days when they were volunteers, before the Territorial Army was formed, 30 years ago.

Thus the 9th London Regiment is now Queen Victoria's Rifles, the King's Royal Rifle Corps, the 18th London is the London Irish Rifles, Royal Ulster Rifles, and the 14th the London Scottish. The Gordon Highlanders.

In many cases there is a reversion to the titles by which the units had been known before they became transferred to other arms of the Service. The No. 1 City of London Battery, R.H.A., for example, regains its old yeomanry title of The Rough Riders.

In additions, much more local territorial designations are conferred than had previously existed.

BRITAIN'S LEAD IN GEOLOGY

100 Years of Survey

The first official history of the Geological Survey of Great Britain, written by Sir John S. Flett, who on his retirement in 1935 had been director for 15 years, is published by the Stationery Office. The Survey celebrated its centenary in July last year.

The Geological Survey is the oldest official body of the kind still existing and has been copied by all the principal countries of the world. Its collections, now housed in its new museum of Practical Geology, in South Kensington, are of great educational and national importance.

Names of great scientists appear on almost every page of this book and the gradual widening of the Survey's activities is graphically told. One of its first tasks, in 1838, was to ascertain the most suitable stone for the new Houses of Parliament at Westminster.

In the words of the King, when, as Duke of York, he opened the new museum last year, "the work of the Survey has provided, and is providing year by year, a mass of knowledge indispensable to the welfare of the mining interests of our country, to agriculture, to public health and town planning, and to a great variety of industries on which our economic prosperity depends."

Recently the Survey co-operated with the Department of Scientific and Industrial Research in finding new water supplies to satisfy the need revealed by the droughts of 1932 and 1934.

be made for an ophthalmologist to be called in.

The Advisory Committee on the Welfare of the Blind report that an analysis of the blind population shows a decrease over a period of years in the figures relating to children and adolescents.

This, it is declared, confirms the value of the measures taken for the prevention of infantile blindness and the preservation of the sight of school children.

PRICES SOAR IN FRANCE

Paris, Saturday.
Further increases in the prices of foodstuffs in France were announced to-day.

Beginning to-day, the price of bread will be 2.60 francs instead of 2.40 francs, and milk will cost 1.70 francs as compared with 1.50 francs, per litre.

Butter has also been increased in price from 12 to 13 francs per lb.

It is announced that the increase in milk and butter prices has been necessitated by the unusual drought of the past week, which has retarded the growth of pasture.—Trans-Ocean.

NEW OPPORTUNITY FOR NAVAL PROMOTION

London, Saturday.
The Admiralty announce revised regulations under which men of the seamen and communication branches on the lower deck may rise to commissioned rank in the executive branch.

The new regulations are designed to increase the number of officers recruited from that source by giving greater facilities to men of the lower deck to reach the standards laid down for officers.—British Wireless.

TWO DESTROYERS LAUNCHED

London, Saturday.
Messrs. Vickers Armstrong to-day launched from their naval yard at Walker-on-Tyne, the two destroyers Eskimo and Mashona. The two vessels were put into the water within ten minutes.

Both are of the large Tribal class of 1,850 tons displacement, with turbine engines to develop 44,000 horsepower.—British Wireless.

BELGIAN BANK CONTROVERSY

Brussels, Saturday.
An extraordinary meeting of shareholders of the Belgian National Bank ended here yesterday evening with acceptance of the project for revision of the statutes of the Bank.

Revised shareholders again submitted a number of motions, in which they demanded, inter alia, reduction of salaries of directors. The motions were all rejected.

It will be recalled that a Cabinet crisis was brought about recently by accusations levelled by the Revisists (Belgian Fascists) that the Bank's affairs were being mismanaged.—Trans-Ocean.

STAMPEDE ON B.I. BOAT AT KOBÉ

Kobe, Saturday.
Last minute decisions to evacuate resulted in a general stampede by over 800 Chinese this afternoon to board the s.s. Shiraka which left at 4 p.m. for China.

The ship was just about to sail when carloads of Chinese appeared at the wharf, the occupants making a rush to catch the boat.

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LOCAL TYPHOON'S BIG DAMAGE



A. Hyde Lay, (left) and A. W. Grimmitt (right) were in good form for Scotland and England, respectively, in the Gutierrez Shield bowls matches yesterday.

GUTIERREZ SHIELD

FOUR MATCHES.
HELD
FILIPINO'S GOOD
WIN

Four matches were played in the Gutierrez Shield International Lawn Bowls Competition yesterday when Scotland beat Portugal by 25 shots to 18, and England beat Ireland 26 shots to 11, on the Craigengower Cricket Club green, India beat China by 26 shots to 16 at Club de Recreio, while on an adjoining green Malaya were out-classed by the Philippines to the tune of 25 shots to 10.

McKelvie and Hyde-Lay laid the foundation for Scotland's victory over Portugal, who were most inconsistent. Scotland forged ahead on the 16th end when leading 13-12 when they scored a six.

SCOTLAND	PORTUGAL
W. L. Walker	L. F. Xavier
R. G. Craig	A. A. Remedios
A. Hyde-Lay	R. F. Luz
J. McKelvie	H. A. Alves
(Skip)	25 (Skip)

England, holders of the title, were not unduly extended by Ireland and maintained a comfortable lead all the way, scoring 13 shots on the last five heads to emerge easy winners.

ENGLAND	IRELAND
S. A. Bright	H. Lockhart
S. Randle	W. Mulcahy
A. W. Grimmitt	N. J. Bebbington
A. W. Hollidge	J. Cavanagh
(Skip)	26 (Skip)

India won as they liked against China, at King's Park, and secured an early lead of 9 shots to 1 on the fourth end, while they were leading 13-4 on the sixth. China rallied splendidly, however, taking the scores to 18-15 in India's favour, on the 15th end. But their rally faded away and India forged ahead for a comfortable win. Pau, the Craigengower player, was in great form for the losers, while the Omar Brother "U. M." and "A. M." shone for the winners.

INDIA	CHINA
D. M. Khan	J. Wong
A. E. Minn	H. Y. Hsu
A. M. Omar	C. W. Lam
U. M. Omar	J. Pau
(Skip)	26 (Skip)



GEORGE DUCKWORTH TO RETIRE

London, August 9.

George Duckworth, the Lancashire and England wicket-keeper, is retiring from first-class cricket at the end of the season. His decision is a surprise, for he is only 36 years of age, and is one of the best wicket-keepers in the world.

Duckworth first gained a place in the Lancashire team in 1923. He helped Lancashire carry off the Championship in three successive years—1926-27-28—and in 1928 he had the fine performance to his credit of dismissing 107 batsmen—77 caught and 30 stumped.

He has played 10 times against Australia and nine times against South Africa.

LANCASHIRE TO LOSE TWO PLAYERS

London, August 7.

Watson and Booth, the Lancashire professionals, conclude their engagements with the county at the end of the present season.

Watson has been with the county since 1920, and holds the record for the highest individual score made at Old Trafford—300 not out against Surrey in 1928.

Booth first played for Lancashire in 1927 and returned to the county about three seasons ago after a spell in the Lancashire League.

The Philippines, who are fielding a fairly strong team this season, created a surprise by eliminating Malaya by 25 shots to 10, Atienza being in fine fettle. Malaya were very weak in comparison.

PHILIPPINES	MALAYA
A. E. Castro	A. Bakar
F. X. Delgado	M. R. Abbas
V. N. Atienza	M. Y. Adal
R. Bass	A. R. Dallah
(Skip)	25 (Skip)

MANY CLUBS LOSE BUILDINGS WHILE SOCCER STANDS ALSO TOTALLY WRECKED

C.B.A. AND FILIPINOS VERY UNFORTUNATE

(By "REFEREE")

(By "Referee")

THE typhoon which struck the Colony with such relentless force in the early hours of last Thursday morning left a trail of wreckage behind at the various sporting Clubs in the Colony.

ON THE ISLAND SIDE, ALL BATHING SHEDS AT NORTH POINT WERE SEVERELY DAMAGED, THE BAMBOO STANDS BEING TOTALLY DEMOLISHED, WHILE THE CHINESE CIVIL SERVICE CLUB WAS ALMOST TOTALLY WRECKED. IN ADDITION, THE NEW EUROPEAN SWIMMING CLUB, ONLY RECENTLY OPENED, WERE UNFORTUNATE TO LOSE THEIR STAND AND CLUBHOUSE, WHILE AT WEST POINT, THE CHUNG SHING BENEVOLENT SOCIETY'S BATHING PAVILION SUFFERED A SIMILAR FATE INsofar AS THEIR BAMBOO STANDS WERE CONCERNED.

Sports grounds suffered similarly in many parts of the Colony, the Central British Association Clubhouse, at King's Park, being totally demolished, the four walls of the structure and the roof being carried backwards by the force of the wind onto the Naval recreation ground, leaving the floor behind!

The newly erected Filipino Club, which one reaches just before the C.B.A. ground, was also badly damaged, beyond repair insofar as the roof and second floor were concerned. When the Clubhouse was visited yesterday afternoon, all that was left of the building was the ground floor changing rooms and a Frigidaire, while the telephone was still intact on a shelf on the damaged stairs leading to what was once the top floor!

The four supporting pillars for the roof, were hanging over the sides of the building and when I arrived on the scene they were being knocked down by workmen, but the tennis court was ready for play!

SOUTH CHINA PAVILION

Just above the Filipino Club was the partially wrecked South China Athletic Association Tennis Club, the roof from the roadway approach to the building having disappeared and the force of the gale having wrecked everything inside. But, like the Filipino Club, the courts were unscarred, although the iron supports, for the wire netting were badly bent by the force of the wind.

The Royal Naval Recreation Club, tucked away as it is under the lip of the hill which overlooks the Recreio football ground, was untouched, while the fencing round the ground was in similar shape, but Recreio's stands on their soccer ground were no more, while the nursery growth of trees just behind were damaged, these being in a direct line with the C.B.A. Clubhouse.

AMAZING ESCAPE

Probably one of the most amazing things about King's Park was the Y.M.C.A. Tennis Club, which, although it is built of plaster with corrugated iron roofing, was untouched and still standing when I visited the ground later on. The K.I.T.C. was likewise intact, yet the Deutscher Klub (German Tennis Club), which is almost in a line in front of them, was partially wrecked in the rear, slates being missing and broken, while the back of the Club was badly damaged.

The K.C.C. was untouched, while Kowloon Bowling Green Club's only damage was to the wall adjoining their main gateway, where an uprooted tree crashed backwards, demolishing the wall.

PITIFUL SIGHT

The Kowloon Football Club presented a pitiful sight, the three sides of the stands being wrecked beyond recognition, the main stand having telescoped badly. The Clubhouse was severely damaged, and it will be some time before normality returns.

The Marina hockey grounds, belonging to the Hong Kong Area Sports Board and the K.I.T.C., were undamaged beyond a few stray patches where the sea had encroached, leaving shallow depressions. But these defects should be remedied in time for the commencement of the hockey season.

On the Island, soccer Clubs suffered severely, and it very much looks as if all Clubs will return a deficit on their balance sheets at the end of the current year unless gate receipts work miracles.

SHEER PROVIDENCE

At the Valley, the Hong Kong Football Club's four stands were blown all over the place and it was sheer providence that buildings in the vicinity did not suffer from pieces of flying timber. It will be fully a month before their new stands are erected.

South China Athletic Association were also severely hit by the typhoon, the four stands encircling the ground being destroyed, leaving the concrete Clubhouse and ornamental gate standing. This is incredibly hard luck on them in view of the pending visit of the Islington Corinthians, for which they were planning additional seating.

The ground at Causeway Bay, headquarters of the Royal Navy during the Winter months and scene of the last Interport football match, presented four wrecked stands, in addition to the roof of their Clubhouse. The corrugated iron palisading which fenced off the ground is no more, and one can look from the Praya walk or Causeway Bay straight across to the C.B.C., which luckily escaped with only minor damage.

HARDSTAFF'S 100 IN 51 MINUTES BRILLIANT INNINGS GAINS NOTTS VICTORY OVER KENT CANTERBURY WEEK ENDS IN BLAZE OF GLORY

(By Thomas Moulton)

Canterbury, August 7.

THE Canterbury Festival has ended in a blaze of glory, for Nottinghamshire, who won by five wickets after Kent had declared. They hit 311 in three wonderful hours.

OF THESE HARDSTAFF MADE 126 WITH SUCH MASTERY, POWER AND STYLISHNESS THAT VETERANS ON THE GROUND COULD NOT RECALL A MORE BEAUTIFUL INNINGS, AND HE ACTUALLY REACHED HIS CENTURY IN 51 MINUTES, THE FASTEST OF THE SUMMER.

It was, indeed, an achievement that may fairly be called sensational. But Hardstaff only said to me afterwards, in his modesty, "Things went may way." And it ought to be put on record that he was unaware of his achievement until it was completed.

Notts won by superb cricket in three hours 50 minutes. But the day's honours were not entirely theirs. The Kent batting at the outset was delicious, sunny-hearted, like the morning, especially when Davies and Valentine were at the crease.

Kent had begun with a lead of 172 with five wickets standing. At first the runs came slowly, and 55 minutes passed before Todd reached 50 for the second time in the match — two hours and a quarter.

RUN-GETTING PITCH

The Kent score reached 150 almost immediately, on a pitch that seemed to have recovered its run-getting potentialities. But when Davies hit a 6 over the leg boundary off Bradley, and appeared certain to reach his 50 also he was caught — at 185. Davies had helped Todd to put on 86 for the sixth wicket.

Valentine hit some 6's, too, and how noisily the motor-car horns saluted him! The first, at Heane's expense, went crashing among the tents on the square-leg boundary; the second, an on-drive off Woodhead, scattered the little band of spectators who sheltered in the deep green shadows of the trees; and a third was a thrilling pull off Butler.

EIGHT BOUNDARIES

Meanwhile Todd's carefully built-up innings had come to an end. He was bowled at 223 by a ball that rasped off the sun-parched turf; he had batted 2 hours and 40 minutes and hit eight boundaries.

Nor did Valentine stay much longer. He was caught behind the wicket at 232, and when he left Kent had scored 127 runs in 90 minutes, and had transformed a questionable position into one quite favourable. Valentine was justified in declaring the innings closed when the next wicket, the ninth, fell at 242.

But, praiseworthy though the closure was, it became pathetic. Still, we would have missed Hardstaff's innings if he had not taken the chance.

TWO QUICK BOUNDARIES

The details of Nottinghamshire's jump to glory are worth giving. They were left to get 310 for vic-

Keeton and Harris opened the in-

nings and Harris hit Todd twice to the boundary in the first over.

He was splendidly caught in the gully immediately after Valentine taking, one-handed, a slash from a ball that rose unexpectedly. Keeton and Knowles were not dismayed, however, and when the lunch interval was taken 56 was on the score board in 35 minutes, so that Notts were in front of the clock.

MATCH-WINNING PACE

After lunch the pace became more and more a match-winning one, and the batsmen kept pace with each other until they reached the forties, and the score was 100 for one wicket. Knowles won the race to the 50 — already he had hit eight 4's — But no sooner had Keeton reached his half-century than he was smartly caught and bowled by Lewis in his first over, which had opened with a wide.

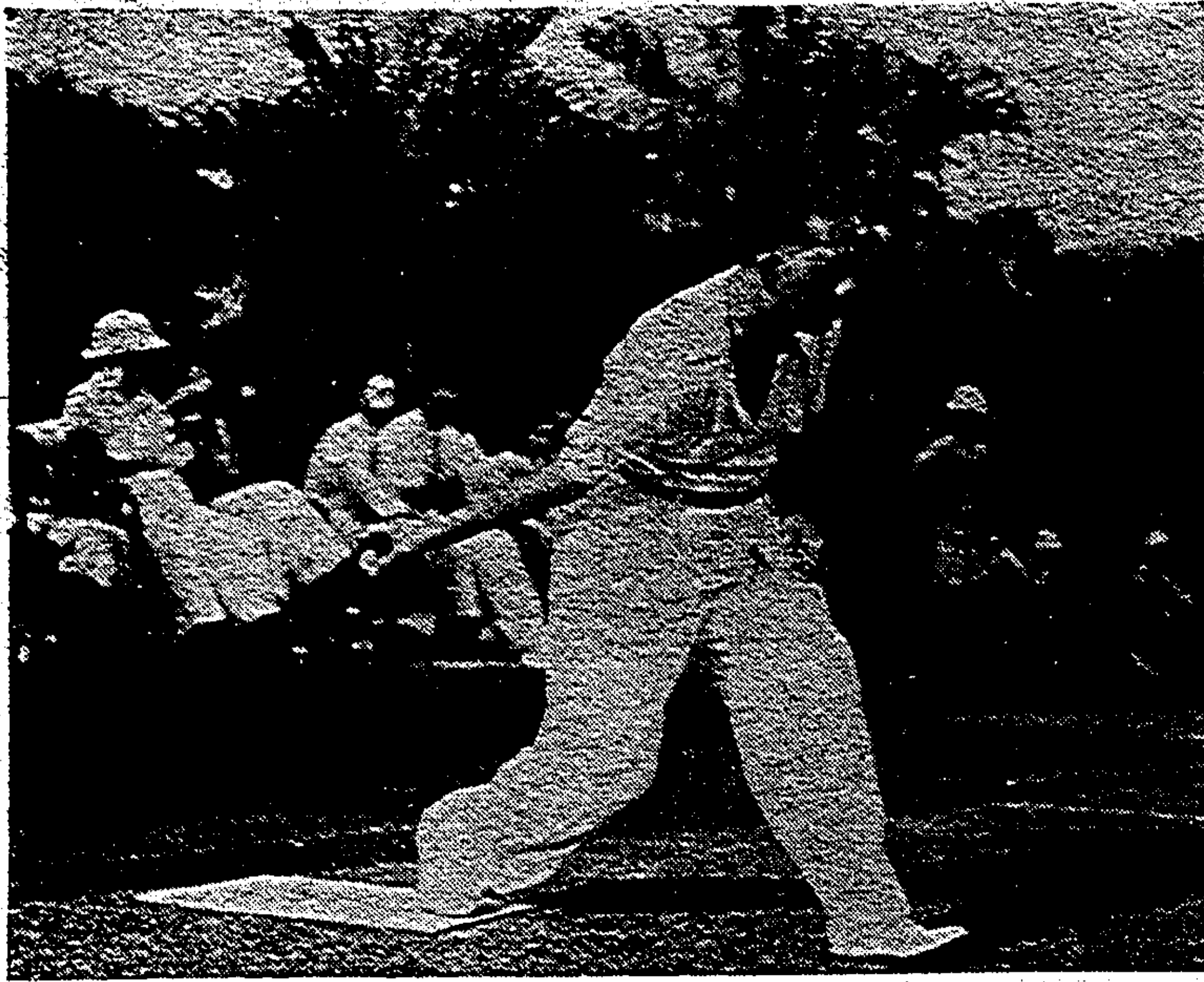
Notts were 126 for two, and now came Hardstaff. By driving Lewis with clear-cut aggressiveness, Hardstaff showed that he intended to keep up the Notts pace, and before long he was doing something more. Ball after ball was driven to the boundary, always all along the floor, and with astonishing swiftness Notts found themselves with exactly half the runs they needed.

NO WILD SLOGGING

In an hour and a half of titanic batmanship, that never for an instant degenerated into wild-slogging, 155 had been scored and two hours 20 minutes remained for the second 155. If Hardstaff had been able to stay through the harvesting of these he might have ensured their completion in half the time.

There was no stopping him. Woolley was called up in a vain endeavour to keep the scoring down, but Hardstaff hit him for 2, 6, 4, 2, 1, in five balls of his initial over. Knowles taking a single off the sixth ball.

At 220 Knowles was l.h.w. Hardstaff and Staples both left at 279, and at tea-time Notts were in a state of suspense for they still needed 31. But the fall was not required and four hours brought the victory just after four o'clock with 40 minutes to spare.



U. M. Omar, above, successfully skipped the India rink against China yesterday in the Gutierrez Shield International lawn bowls competition.

200 MILE RACE WON BY ONLY 85 SECONDS THRILLING DUEL IN MONACO GRAND PRIX

MONACO, AUGUST 9.

GERMAN CARS AND GERMAN DRIVERS SWEEP THE BOARD IN THE GRAND PRIX DE MONACO HERE TO-DAY. THEY TOOK THE FIRST FOUR PLACES, AFTER ONE OF THE MOST THRILLING MOTOR RACES IN EUROPE THIS YEAR. THE RESULT WAS: 1. MANFRED VON BRAUCHITSCH (MERCEDES-BENZ), IN 3HRS. 7MIN. 23.9SEC.; AVERAGE SPEED 63.25 M.P.H. 2. RUDOLF CARACCIOLA (MERCEDES-BENZ), 3HRS. 8MIN. 48.2SEC. 3. KAUTZ (MERCEDES-BENZ). 4. HANS VON STUCK (AUTO-UNION).

Known as the "race of a thousand corners," the Monaco Grand Prix, which has 100 laps of two miles each, actually runs through the streets of the town and provides a magnificent spectacle.

The fastest cars in Europe took part, handled by some of the world's finest drivers and it is a tribute to their skill that they were able to race side by side at more than 100 miles an hour through the narrow streets.

The Italian cars, Alfa-Romeos and Maseratis, were outclassed from the beginning.

The Mercedes-Benz cars showed their superiority, and the outstanding feature of the race was the desperate duel between two members of the same team, Caracciola and von Brauchitsch.

REFUSED TO OBEY FLAG

The latter had been signalled to come into the pits for several laps, but had obstinately continued rather than lose his place close on Caracciola's heels.

On his 46th lap the leader's engine started to miss-fire and the younger man drove into first place. Caracciola had to make up a whole lap and steadily run through the field until he was once more behind von Brauchitsch.

Then the latter stopped to refuel and his engine was slow in restarting. Just as the car was started Caracciola came up at speed and for several laps strained every nerve to recover the lead.

CARACCIOLA'S LAP RECORD

Von Brauchitsch was repeatedly signalled to allow the leading Mercedes driver to pass him, and later after lap the two men raced neck and neck past the grandstand at well over 100 miles an hour.

Caracciola slid almost broadside

KNOCKED OUT BUT SCORED 111

K. A. Sellar's Unavailing
Innings For M.C.C.

Armour Heights (Ontario), August 10. — After being struck on the jaw by a fast ball, K. A. Sellar went on to score 111 for the M.C.C. in their two-day match with the Hon. R. C. Matthews' XI here. His innings included 15 fours.

The rest of the M.C.C. team could only score another 26 (including extras) between them in their second innings and they were beaten by nine wickets. Scores: Hon. R. C. Matthews' XI, 238 and 7 for 1; M.C.C. 157 and 137.

as he attempted to get in front and only took the lead when his opponent at length slowed up voluntarily. He could not hold the lead, however, for more than a lap, and waved on von Brauchitsch as he skidded round an acute bend.

In his attempt to snatch the lead, Caracciola set up a new lap record of 1min. 46.5secs. for the circuit, an average speed of 66.99 miles per hour.

Rosemeyer, driving a German Auto-Union, for a long time kept pace with the leading Mercedes cars, but eventually his steering jammed on a corner and he had to retire. Later, however, he took turns in driving von Stuck's car.

QUASHED RETIRED TO STUD

London, August 9.

Quashed, winner of the Ascot Gold Cup last year, has finished racing, and left C. Leader's stables on Saturday for her owner's stud.

Quashed was leased during her racing career by Lady Barbara Smith to Lord Stanley, for whom she won the Jockey Club Cup, the Ormonde Stakes at Chester, and dead-heated for the Great Metropolitan Handicap at Epsom, as well as winning the Ascot Gold Cup.

British Athletic Successes At Amsterdam

Amsterdam, August 9.—British athletes gained a great success in the international meeting at the Olympic Stadium here to-day, winning the 400 metres, 800 metres, 1,500 metres, 400 metres relay, 110 yards hurdles, and the pole vault.

The British competitors failed in only two events, the 100 metres and 200 metres, which were won by the Dutch crack, M. B. Osendarp.

A. G. K. Brown won the 400 metres for Great Britain in 48.9 sec, Klupsch (Germany) being second in 49.4 sec, and Beuhrmann

(Holland) third in 50.8 sec. Brown took the lead at the half-way mark and won easily by three yards.

Another British success came in the 800 metres, which J. C. Stothard won in 1 min 58.8 sec from Schmidt (Germany), who was a fifth of a second behind. A further British success was scored by B. Wright, who won the 1,500 metres in 3 min 57.1 sec.

The British team ran well and passed the baton magnificently to win the 400 metres relay in 42.2 sec. The team was Richardson, Finlay, Brown, and Holmes.

D. O. Finlay (Great Britain) won the 110 metres hurdles in 14.6 sec from R. J. Brasser and W. Kaan (Holland), who were level second in 15.2 sec.

F. R. Webster scored another victory for Britain in the pole vault, in which he cleared 3.8 metres (12 ft 5½ in).

C. B. Holmes was beaten into second place by Osendarp in the final of the 100 metres. Returning 10 6-10 sec, Osendarp beat Holmes by a tenth of a second. Osendarp won the 200 metres in 21.7 sec.—Reuter.

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NO FLUKE IN RANGER'S FOUR WINS BETTER BOAT THAN ENDEAVOUR

VERY GOOD WORK BY THE LOSING CREW MISSED CHANCE OF USEFUL TRIALS

(By Major B. Heckstall-Smith)

Newport (Rhode Island), August 7.

THE conclusion that remains with us after the defeat of Endeavour II. by Ranger in four straight and fair America's Cup races, without fluke or favour, is that the better boat won.

WHILE SUPERIORITY OF DESIGN HAS BEEN EVOLVED THROUGH SCIENTIFIC TESTS WITH MODELS IN AN EXPERIMENTAL TANK, THE RESULT OF THOSE TESTS HAS NOT REVOLUTIONISED YACHT DESIGN, NOR IS THE AMOUNT OF DIFFERENCE IN SPEED DERIVED FROM THE TESTS NEARLY AS GREAT AS OBSERVATION OF THE FIRST TWO RACES, WHEN RANGER BEAT ENDEAVOUR BY 17 AND 18 MINUTES, LED US TO SUPPOSE.

The defender obtained no small advantage from the superiority and greater area of her head sails. The helmsmanship in Ranger was more skilful. Mr. Vanderbilt's hands at the wheel showed him to be a natural-born helmsman.



Just a yellow china dog, but he's the pride and joy of the Ranger's crew, one of whom is shown giving him a cleaning-up. "Yellow Dog" is the mascot of Harold S. Vanderbilt's America's Cup yacht Defender, which has been showing her heels to the British challenger, Endeavour II.

SATURDAY'S BOWLS

FIRST DIVISION

C.C.C.	82	P.R.C.	42
K.C.C.	55	K.B.G.C.	70
K.D.R.C.	43	C. de R.	75
C.S.C.C.	74	H.K.F.C.	56

SECOND DIVISION

L.R.C.	74	K.C.C.	44
C.C.C.	71	C. de R.	61
P.R.C.	53	H.K.F.C.	71

THIRD DIVISION

C. de R.	64	K.F.C.	41
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All agreed that his steersmanship was faultless and unequalled since the days of Charlie Barr.

UNNECESSARY THEN

Endeavour II., weeks before the race, had an opportunity of trials against the old Endeavour. Had those trials combined trimming of the hull flotation concurrently with tests of seamanship, it would not have been necessary to retrim the vessel by the removal of weight after her signal failure in the first two races.

This oversight, however, was doubtless due to the absence of the designer, Mr. Charles Nicholson, during the trials owing to the re-

cent death of his wife.

STARTING MANOEUVRES

In the last two races, when Mr. Nicholson was aboard, Endeavour's speed proved little inferior and was sometimes even greater than that of Ranger.

Mr. Sopwith showed skill in the starting manoeuvres. In the first two starts he outjockeyed Mr. Vanderbilt. In the third race the start was slightly in favour of the American, and in the fourth start Mr. Sopwith was recalled.

In every contest ten minutes after the start it was apparent that Mr. Sopwith's chance had expired.

DESERVE HIGH CREDIT

The English crew of paid hands deserve high credit. Despite the heat and climatic conditions they

handled the boat smartly and were quite good enough to win.

The whole series of races was attended by the greatest good feeling and sportsmanship on both sides. The New York Yacht Club's arrangements were perfection, and the American coastguard service showed great efficiency in patrolling the course and handling the enormous fleets of vessels carrying sightseers.

All the races were sailed in pleasant light breezes on sunlit blue seas, and the spectacle was picturesque beyond description. Those who saw Ranger finishing the last and the fastest race in the whole history of the Cup, winning by three-quarters of a mile and flying home with her bows breasting the foam, will never forget the sight.

LEAGUE TABLES TO DATE

First Division

	P.	W.	L.	D.	F.	A.	Shots Up	Shots Dn.	Pts.
CLUB de RECREIO	13	11	2	0	857	686	171	0	22
CRAIGENGOWER	13	10	3	0	886	718	168	0	20
KOWLOON DOCK R.C.	13	7	6	0	795	737	58	0	14
KOWLOON B.G.C.	14	7	7	0	843	827	16	0	14
CIVIL SERVICE	13	6	6	1	774	763	11	0	13
KOWLOON C.C.	13	5	8	0	704	769	0	65	10
POLICE R.C.	13	3	8	2	692	866	0	174	8
FOOTBALL CLUB	14	2	11	1	742	927	0	185	5
TOTALS	106	51	51	4	6293	6293	424	424	106

Second Division

INDIAN R.C.	14	12	1	1	904	717	187	0	25
CRAIGENGOWER	14	12	2	0	943	742	201	0	24
CLUB de RECREIO	13	8	4	1	854	701	153	0	17
KOWLOON B.G.C.	13	6	7	0	784	776	8	0	12
TAIKOO DOCKS R.C.	13	4	9	0	720	748	0	28	8
FOOTBALL CLUB	13	4	9	0	691	817	0	126	8
POLICE R.C.	13	3	10	0	661	823	0	162	6
KOWLOON C.C.	13	3	10	0	666	899	0	233	6
TOTALS	106	52	52	2	6223	6223	549	549	106

Third Division

CIVIL SERVICE	13	10	3	0	845	670	175	0	20
KOWLOON TONG	13	8	5	0	874	704	110	0	16
CLUB de RECREIO	13	8	5	0	755	757	0	2	16
H. K. ELECTRIC R.C.	13	7	6	0	746	727	19	0	14
YACHT CLUB	14	6	8	0	809	840	0	31	12
FOOTBALL CLUB	13	5	8	0	750	782	0	32	10
K. FOOTBALL CLUB	12	4	8	0	604	738	0	134	8
CRAIGENGOWER	13	4	9	0	736	841	0	105	8
TOTALS	104	52	52	0	6059	6059	304	304	104

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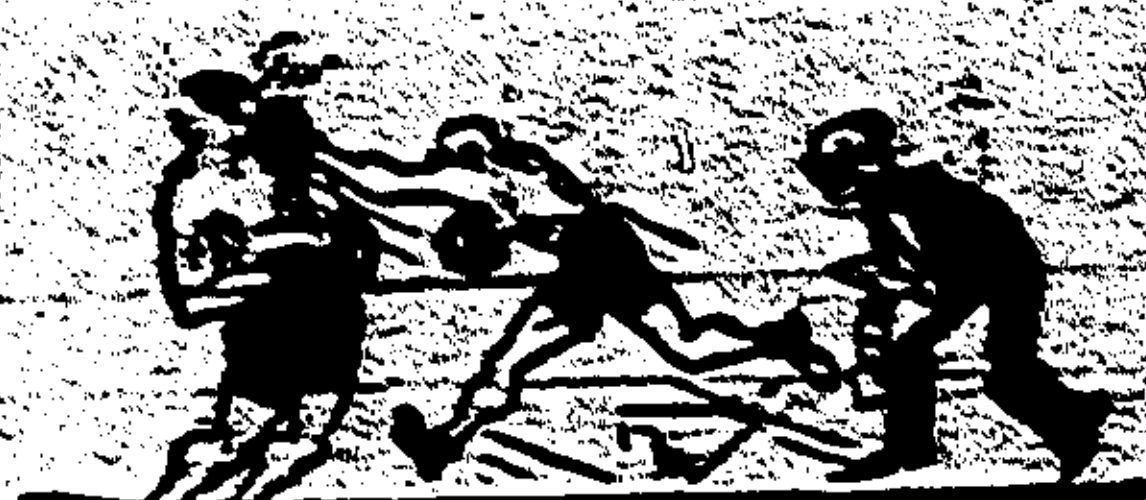
FIRST DIVISION			
Arsenal	5	Wolves	0
Birmingham	2	Portsmouth	2
Blackpool	1	Everton	0
Brentford	2	Huddersfield	0
Derby	2	Sunderland	2
Grimsby	0	Bolton	1
Leeds	0	Preston	0
Liverpool	1	Charlton	2
Manchester Co.	3	Leicester	1
Middlesboro'	2	Stoke	0
W. Bromwich	4	Chelsea	0

SECOND DIVISION			
Barnsley	2	Stockport	0
Blackburn	5	Norwich	3
Bury	2	Plymouth	0
Coventry	1	Burnley	0
Fulham	1	Chesterfield	1
Luton	1	Manchester U.	0
Newcastle	6	Sheffield U.	0
Notts F.	3	Tottenham	1
Wednesday	1	Swansea	1
Southampton	0	Aston Villa	1
West Ham	3	Bradford	1

THIRD DIVISION (SOUTH)			
Aldershot	0	Notts C.	1
Bournemouth	1	Queen's P.R.	1
Brighton	1	Reading	0
Bristol R.	0	Mansfield	0
Cardiff	5	Southend	0
Exeter	3	Bristol C.	2
Gillingham	0	Watford	0
Millwall	2	Crystal P.	2
Northampton	0	Torquay	3
Swindon	3	Newport	2
Walsall	2	Clapton O.	0

THIRD DIVISION (NORTH)			
Barrow	1	Gateshead	3
Bradford C.	3	Rochdale	1
Carlisle	0	Lincoln	1
Crewe	0	Oldham	1
Halifax	1	Accrington	2
Hartlepool	2	Hull	2
Port Vale	1	Darlington	0
Southport	1	Doncaster	3
Tranmere	0	Chester	0
Wrexham	0	N. Brighton	1
York	4	Rotherham	1

SCOTTISH LEAGUE FIRST DIVISION			
Ayr	3	Clyde	3
Celtic	4	Hamilton	2
Dundee	4	Queen O'S	4
Falkirk	4	Hearts	2
Hibernian	1	Kilmarnock	1
Motherwell	1	Rangers	1
Partick	0	Arbroath	0
St. Johnstone	3	Morton	3
St. Mirren	4	Queen's P.	1
Third Lanark	2	Aberdeen	0



PADGHAM AGAIN DEFEATS COTTON

PICKS UP AFTER
BALL FALLS
AMONG CROWD

OPEN CHAMPION OUT OF FORM

By GEORGE GREENWOOD

Henry Cotton, making a first public appearance since his triumph in the Open Championship, and his defeat of Densmore Shute, the American, in a 72-hole match, was beaten 3 and 2 by Alfred Padgham at Crowborough (Sussex) yesterday. Their last meeting was at Sandridge Park, a year ago, when Padgham won by 7 and 5 over 36 holes.

Attracted by the presence of the reigning and ex-champion, a large crowd followed the play, which was not of a high standard, especially in the case of Cotton. Perhaps the terrific heat and the rock-like character of the fairway accounted for the absence of any record-breaking figures.

Padgham had a score of 63 for the 16 holes of the match, but no score can be given for Cotton, who picked up at the 16th. After pulling his drive into the heather he made repeated requests to the spectators to give him room to pitch to the green.

PADGHAM ROUND IN 70

He pitched among the crowd, and the ball failed to run down the bank. Though he had an excellent chance of getting a 4.

Cotton picked up and walked to the next tee, but the match was over. Completing the course, Padgham was 70 and Cotton, giving him a five at the 16th, 73.

SECOND DIVISION

Albion	4	Cowdenbeath	3
Airdrie	2	Stenhousemuir	5
Dumbarton	5	Dundee	1
Dumfries	3	E. Stirling	1
Edinburgh	3	East Fife	3
King's Park	2	Brechin	1
Montrose	1	Leith	3
Raith	2	Airdrie	0
St. Bernard's	0	Forfar	1

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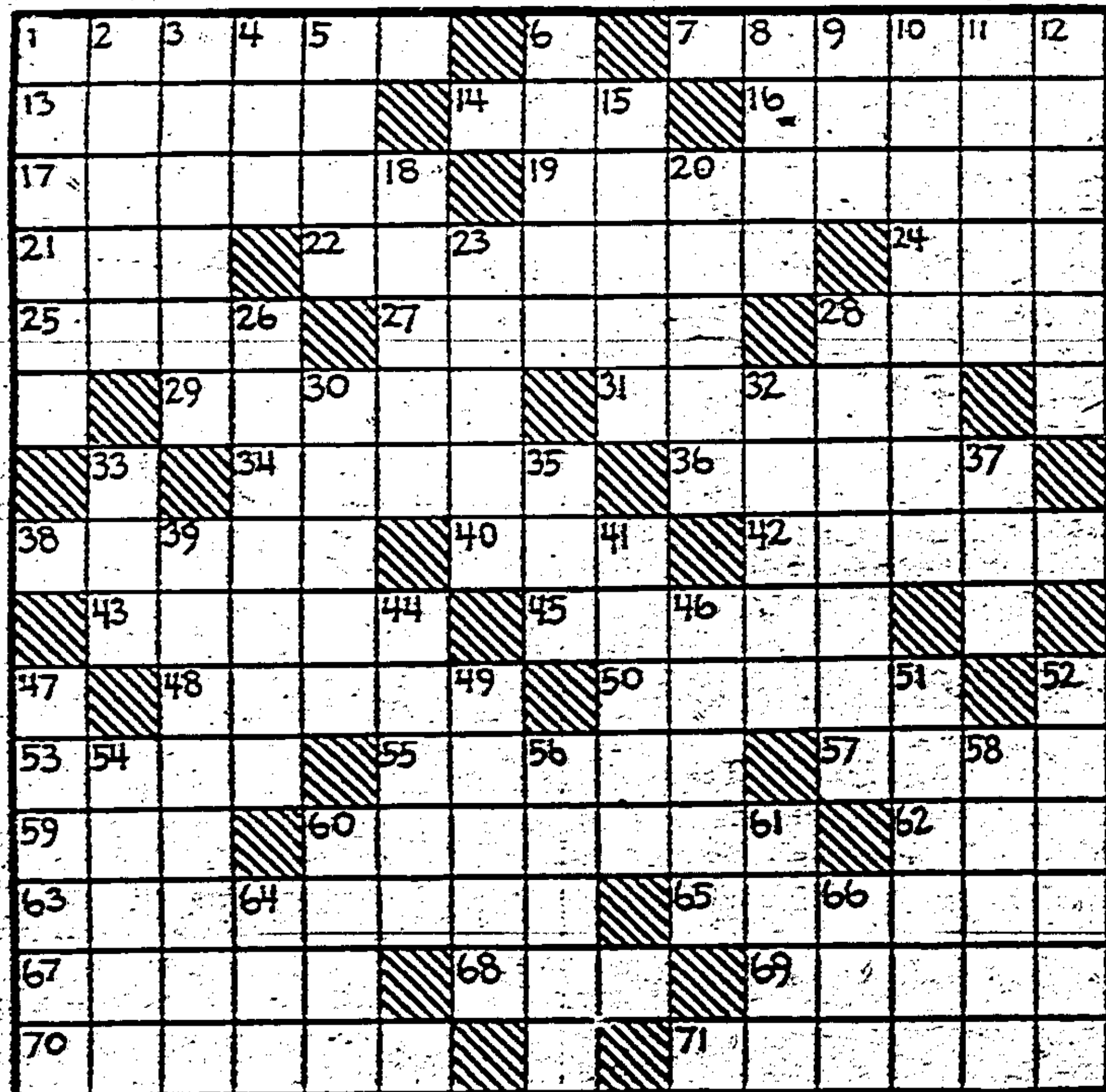
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DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE

This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spelling, such as harbor, plow, and altho.



HORIZONTAL

- 1-Project
- 7-A shore-bird (pl.)
- 13-Hoisting machine
- 14-Pairs (abbr.)
- 16-Excite
- 17-Hurried
- 19-Replied
- 21-Mischievous child
- 22-Emblem of Neptune
- 24-Man's name
- 25-German rear-admiral
- 27-To anoint (Archaic)
- 28-Period of fasting
- 29-Hauled
- 31-Garden-dormouse (Fr.)
- 34-American poet
- 36-Royal
- 38-Pointed weapon
- 40-Residence (abbr.)
- 42-Length measure (pl.)
- 43-Penetrated
- 45-Person indifferent to pain
- 48-Currents
- 50-Off from rose petals
- 53-Residue from wine making
- 55-Aide

HORIZONTAL (Cont.)

- 57-Final
- 59-Wing-like part
- 60-Perfumed
- 62-Though (short)
- 63-Average weather of a region (pl.)
- 65-Noise, boisterous speaker
- 67-State in the French Congo
- 68-Lair
- 69-Affray
- 70-Method
- 71-Trust

VERTICAL

- 1-Division of a church into factions
- 2-Hamper
- 3-Fastened with a hasp
- 4-Entomology (abbr.)
- 5-Assemble
- 6-To classify
- 8-Eft
- 9-Suffix same as -ll
- 10-Bone of the head
- 11-Eternal (Archaic)
- 12-Demure

VERTICAL (Cont.)

- 15-Short line bearing a fish-hook
- 18-Spiritless utterance
- 20-Scoff
- 23-Inward
- 26-Eccentric
- 28-Consistent in point of reasoning
- 30-Ventilated
- 32-To transmit money
- 33-Large monkey
- 35-Affirmative reply
- 37-Permit
- 39-Goes aboard a train, as troops
- 41-Begin
- 44-Act in response
- 46-Fur-bearing animal
- 47-Slaps
- 49-Rate of motion
- 51-Agitate
- 52-Packed away
- 54-Abate
- 56-Family of birds including the geese
- 58-Glistening brightness
- 60-Identical
- 61-A lady
- 64-Contented
- 66-The sea-god (abbr.)

The solution of the above with a new cross-word puzzle will appear in to-morrow's issue.

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- 16 Hand Painted Fire Screen.
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- 18 Set Painted Rattan Chairs.
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- 21 Teakwood Sideboard as new.
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- 23 Oval Bathroom Wall Mirror.
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- 25 Dropleaf Teak Dining Table.
- 26 Upholstered Day Couch.
- 27 Large Cabinet Victrola.
- 28 Mascot Portable Gramophone.
- 29 Nest Blackwood Teapots.
- 30 Teakwood Dinner Waggon.
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ATTACKING FROM YANGTSEPOO

HEAVY ARTILLERY DUELS

Shanghai, To-day.

Further troops and heavy guns were landed from Japanese destroyers in the eastern district of the Settlement yesterday as the Chinese and Japanese forces in all sectors engaged in artillery duels in which the Japanese were supported by their warships.

Both the Chinese and Japanese are reported to be digging trenches on the Woosung peninsula, where the No Man's Land at some points is only 300 yards wide.

The Japanese again announce the capture of the walled city of Paoshan, while successes for the Chinese are recorded in an official communique stating that the Chinese troops have recaptured Lotien bus station and six villages nearby after fierce hand-to-hand fighting in which the Chinese used bayonets and the famous big swords with telling effect.

The Chinese and Japanese lines around the Settlement are also unchanged.—Reuter.

JAPANESE COUNTER-OFFENSIVE

Shanghai, To-day.

What is generally believed to be the big Japanese push, coming as a sharp counter-offensive, is at present under way.

The drive was launched at 2.30 this morning after a seven-hour lull, in which Japanese heavy artillery and Japanese warships at Woosung and in the harbour, including the Idzumo which went down river during the night, commenced shelling the Chinese lines.

Simultaneously, the Chinese and Japanese in all sectors began to exchange machine-gun and artillery fire.

The duel between the Chinese guns at Kiangwan and the Japanese batteries in Yangtsepoos was particularly severe, the reverberations shaking the entire city.

IDZUMO LEADING NAVAL ATTACK

The Idzumo, stationed at Jukong Wharf, midway between Shanghai and Woosung, is leading the Japanese attack.

About twenty Japanese planes are participating in the aerial operations in the Woosung area, and the Japanese attack from land and sea is being accompanied by intensive bombing.

Launching of the offensive followed days of careful preparation in which large reinforcements and huge quantities of supplies were landed in the eastern district of the Settlement and the Yangtse estuary.—Reuter.

Japanese Warship Said To Have Been Sunk

Canton, Yesterday.

An official account says that a squadron of six Japanese warships from Formosa commenced an attack on Amoy on Friday, which elicited a spirited reply from Amoy Forts.

Heavy fire was maintained for the whole day until nightfall. The Nan-

Japanese warships launched another attack on Amoy next morning and the artillery duel was more severe than the previous day, with the result that one of the Japanese destroyers was seriously damaged and sunk.

It is also claimed that during the first day's battle two Japanese warships were damaged to certain extent but managed to make off.—Hua-

JAPANESE SLAUGHTER OF CIVILIANS

Shanghai, To-day.

The civilian casualties in the bombing of Jessfield station by Japanese planes yesterday are given as 49 killed and 150 injured.

Japanese air activity yesterday was confined mainly to bombings west of Shanghai, in the course of which two junks laden with Chinese refugees were hit. Sixty were killed.—Reuter.

LI CHAI-SUM GIVEN S. CHINA COMMAND

According To Report
From Nanking

Nanking, Yesterday.

The Supreme War Council has made the following appointments with effect to date.

Marshal Yin Hsi-shan has been appointed Commander-in-Chief of the North-west District, with General Mao Chi-tung as Vice-Commander.

Marshal Feng Yu-hsiang, Commander-in-chief of the North China District with General Fong Chen-woo as Vice-Commander.

General Pei Chung-hsi as Commander-in-chief of the Central China District with General Chang Fat-kwei as Vice-Commander; and Marshal Li Chai-sum, Commander-in-chief of the South China District with General Chen Ming-shu as Vice-Commander.—Da-Dao.

NORTH CHINA FIGHTING

Japanese Claim

Tokyo, To-day.

Japanese military circles claim the capture of Huaian, south-west of Kalgan, though no confirmation can be obtained from unbiased sources.

Capture of this strategic point, say the Japanese, enables them to threaten the flank of the Chinese troops operating south-west of the Kalgan-Peiping Railway.—Trans-Ocean.

AIR RAIDS

Attacks On Chapei And North Station

Shanghai, To-day.

Japanese planes are still very active and yesterday had the air pretty much to themselves.

This morning they carried out dawn raids on Chapei, North Station and Rootung.—Trans-Ocean.

KWANGSI TROOPS GOING NORTH

Canton, To-day.

It is officially reported that five divisions of Kwangsi troops have left Kweilin for Shanghai.

They are being transported by various means to the Canton-Hankow Railway and will proceed from Hankow to Shanghai.—Our Own Correspondent.

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The British Taishan, river-steamer, of the Hong Kong, Canton and Macao Steamship Company, which left Hong Kong for Canton last night has not yet arrived there.

It is stated that the boat is lying at anchor about half way between Hong Kong and Canton owing to the situation, though the ship has not been interfered with.

It is stated that river navigational lights have been removed by the Cantonese.

The Japanese destroyer which shelled Chekwan is now reported to be cruising to and from in the Canton delta stopping all Chinese ships.

10.30 a.m.

It is reported that the bombardment of the Chinese coast just beyond British territory has been resumed.

The "China Mail" understands that two Chinese Maritime Customs cruisers were seized by the Japanese off Green Point last night. Nothing is known of the fate of two foreign officers on board the cruisers.

It is believed the cruisers seized were the Shung Kuan and the Kwan Wei.

NEWS FLASHES

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